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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

On 12th November, at Hankow, the wife of HARRY E. GUN, of a son.
On 17th November, at Santa, the wife of E. G. LEBAS, of a daughter.
On 18th November, at Shanghai, the wife of FRANK GRAY, of a son.
On 20th November, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. M. an, a daughter.
On 23rd November, at Shanghai, the wife of ARTHUR STANLEY, of a son.

BIRTHS.

On 7th November, at St. John's Cathedral, by the Rev. J. H. FRANK, M.A., ROBERT HART, eldest daughter of Dr. G. H. HART, Birmingham, to JAMES D. DANBY, second son of Mr. DANBY, Esq., Hongkong.
On 8th November, at Tientsin, JOHN ATWOOD, CHURCHILL to EVELYN FLORA COOPER.
On 23rd November, at Yokohama, HENRY HARRIS HEARD, to MABEL AGNES THICKELL, of Yokohama.

DEATHS.

On 5th October, at Brooklyn, N. Y., WILLIAM MAXWELL, engineer, late of the C.M.S.N. Co., Shanghai.
On 21st November, at Hankow, H. VERLIER.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 10A, DES VŒUX ROAD C.
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 28TH, 1905.

It is now, of course, an open secret that a serious failure has occurred in the great bridge which carries the Italian Railway to Kaitung. The story of the line is not an altogether pleasant one; nominally a Belgian undertaking, it was from the beginning perfectly understood to be a Russian political scheme; and its real intention was to facilitate communication from the north with central China, so that when the time came for absorption Russia should find no obstacle in the way of her successful advance to Peking and the rich Yangtze valley. It is true that as time went on, and the great aim of Russia seemed continually further and further from any hope of accomplishment, the construction of the line assumed a more thoroughly commercial aspect, and lately this last has been the guiding principle throughout; the first idea

of a military and strategic line has, however, left its traces in the laying out and building of the line, and the first requirement has been not so much efficiency as economy. Notoriously the Yellow River is a byword for instability; from its wandering and unsettled character it had long ago acquired the appellation of "China's Sorrow," and unstable as is the whole of its lower course (that portion where, after passing the city of Mangtsin, it enters on the plain of Honan), it has ever borne the worst character of all. Even before the days of authentic history the ancient Yu Kung describes this country as a district of swamps and marshes. The surface soil is the finest of sand, so fine as to be almost impalpable—the wear and tear of the loess deposits of Shensi and Kansu, and the subsoil is almost equally treacherous—so that the task of placing a bridge over the wayward river at any portion of its lower course was one which might have appalled the most experienced of engineers. Brigandies, both political and commercial, called for its construction at this spot, so that the task before the engineer was to carry one of the longest and most important bridges in Asia over a Serbian Bog, without any known or discoverable bottom. Unfortunately the method selected was only suitable for a light railway, while already the requirements of the traffic point out that an extremely heavy and bulky goods traffic has to be provided for: not only, in fact, have mistakes been made as to the character of the available foundations, but the requirements of the traffic to be carried on have been entirely misjudged. The method adopted finally has been that of screw-piles, a method unsatisfactory at best, and only practicable where there is the possibility of arriving at a sufficiently permanent and unyielding subsoil, which in this case has certainly not been attained. In this respect the alluvial plains of China have acquired an evil reputation, and like difficulties have been met with and, it is right to add, surmounted on the more northern portions of the line in the province of Pechili. It is true that by almost superhuman efforts a shift was made to pass over the opening train, but our advice goes to show that subsequently traffic over the bridge has had to be suspended. We have no desire to exaggerate the importance of the failure, nor to point a finger of scorn at the labours of those entrusted with the task; at all times an anxious one, of having to carry a line of railway over what is practically a floating bog;—the more especially as the conditions required, or seemed to require, the exercise of the utmost economy. Had the inception of the line a clearer record, the question of a starve-all economy would not have entered at all into discussion by its promoters. Even as it is, in the eyes of a particularly suspicious people like the Chinese, the failure is likely to cast a reflection not easily removed on Western engineering in general. The failure, under not altogether dissimilar conditions, of the foundations of the Nile Barrage near China, being carried out by continental engineers, for many years kept back all engineering progress in Egypt; and it was only last year that the magnificent undertaking of the Assouan Dam, and the partial restoration of the Barrage, showed how, under clearer conditions, the industrial resources of the state could at one stroke be almost doubled.

In apportioning the blame it must not, however, be forgotten that China at the time the concession of the line was granted had, with her eyes open, placed herself unreservedly in the hands of Russia, who insisted on the work with all its concomitant understandings being placed in the hands of her nominees, the Belgian Syndicate; who had, moreover, in addition to building the line to Russia's requirements, to do all the financing.

Tientsin has instituted a Debating Society for both ladies and gentlemen.

The plague totals as recorded on Nov. 25 remain at 298 cases and 280 deaths.

Coolies are being recruited in Hupeh and Hunan for railway work in Annam.

The Nanfanggao complains of the brusqueness in which foreigners are apt to write of Chinese, even those of high rank, by omitting to give them the plainest of courtesy titles.

Viceroy Chang Chih-tung has nearly completed a volume defending his action in the matter of buying back the Canton-Hankow railway concession by the aid of a British loan.

A Chinese sailor on board the *Schuytkill* met his death on Saturday evening by falling from the main mast as the vessel was leaving the harbour. His skull was fractured and he expired in about an hour.

Mr. W. MacKenzie Arthur, a typhoid patient in Shanghai Hospital, cut his throat on Nov. 17, with fatal result. He was about 35 years old. He hailed from Glasgow, and had been staying at the Sailors' Home.

The Japanese steamer, the *America Maru* of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha line, made her reappearance in the harbour yesterday after a lengthy absence during which she served as an auxiliary cruiser in the war just ended.

A Chinese burglar at Shanghai is beginning a nine months' sentence of imprisonment for an odd theft. He took from the house of the American Consul's lady's fur box, worth \$200, cut it into short lengths, and hawked the pieces round for sale.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Library, and Museum for the week ending the 26th November, 1905:—

	Library	Museum
Non-Chinese	291	68
Chinese	164	2,87
Total	355	2,155

The full text of the judgments delivered by the Chief Justice last Friday in the Supreme Court in the action brought by the Russo-Chinese Bank against the Sam Yee Company, Ltd., and in the action at the instance of the Comptroller of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank against a sheriff, appear in our weekly edition published to-day.

It is reported that the British Admiralty want to ascertain the shortest period in which a battleship can be built, in order that they may fix a time limit to which both dockyards and private firms will have to conform when orders for new ships are entrusted to them. This seems to promise for the future some scamped work and some possible naval disasters.

As far as the accounts have been made out present [*N.C. Daily News*, 20. XI. 05] the Bazaar at the Shanghai Town Hall produced the magnificent sum of \$11,900 for the various funds of Union Church, and there are still other returns to come in. It is worth noting that since the Church was erected in 1885, a total amount of about Tls. 75,000 has been spent upon it and the adjacent halls. Of this all but about Tls. 4,000 has now been raised, which speaks well for the liberality and zeal of the Church and its friends.

A motor river boat, designed for the purpose of navigating the shallow waters of South China, was yesterday launched from the shipbuilding yard of Messrs Bailey and Co., Kowloon, where it was built to the order of Mr. J. W. Kow. Fitted with a 45 H.P. Gardner Kerosene Motor, the launch will carry 250 passengers with a draught of only two feet. Yesterday she covered the measured mile at a speed of 32 miles per hour. The launch took place in the presence of a number of visitors, Miss Hill christening the vessel *Tian Kong* as it left the slipway.

Yesterday afternoon at the offices of the Public Works Department, Sai Kung Farm Lot No. 2, in the New Territory, was let by public auction sale. The lease is for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown rent to be fixed for one further term of 75 years, if competent for the Colonial Government so to make it. The annual Crown rental of the Lot, which has an area of about 23.50 acres, is \$24. Bidding started at the upset price, \$94, and rose rapidly till the amount of \$2,500 was reached. At this price the Lot was sold to Mr. C. H. Reunio, for the Hongkong Milling Company.

The *Delaware Pilot* Oct. 21st says:—"Mr. L. Anderson and Mr. E. E. Toog of Shanghai, China, are the guests of L. W. Mustard, Messrs. Anderson and Toog are visiting the larger cities of the country, and during the past week have been in Washington. On Monday, by special appointment, they were received by President Roosevelt, who assured them that he should do everything in his power to remove the cause for the feeling which has brought about the boycott of American goods by the Chinese. After several months in the United States, Mr. Anderson returns to China via San Francisco. Mr. Toog will tour Europe and India, reaching Shanghai about six months from this time.

Capt. Grassi of the Italian Navy is at present in Shanghai, in connection with an extensive Chinese Government order for the installation of wireless telegraph. The *N.C. Daily News* says:—"Experiments have been made, to test the value of Chinese assistance, between the Italian cruiser *Mare Polo* and the Chinese cruiser *Haishin* both now lying in the harbour. These have been completely successful. The overlaid scheme as at present arranged is to connect up a triangle of which Peking, Pootung, and Chinwangtao will be the apex. Capt. Grassi has had previous experience of China, having been responsible for the installation between the Italian Legation at Peking and the Consulate at Tientsin some two years ago. On the dangerous Chinese coast there would seem to have no limit, and we can only hope to see them put into speedy and more general operation.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—
On the 27th at 11.20 a.m. The barometer has risen over China and W. Japan. Pressure is highest over Central China, and lowest over the S. part of the China S.A. Gradients are slight generally. Fresh to moderate monsoon will continue to prevail in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.
Forecast:—Fresh to moderate E. winds; fair.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.

ENGLISH HURRICANES.

LONDON, 27th November.

A fierce hurricane raged over England on Saturday and Sunday nights and did considerable damage.

LIBERAL LEADERS AT VARIANCE.

LONDON, 27th November.

Lord Rosebery refuses to associate himself with Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman because he does not consider Home Rule for Ireland feasible.

ANARCHY IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, 27th November.

The mutinous sailors, dockers, and soldiers are in possession of Sebastopol. The warships have also joined the rebels, and the army is doubtful. An Admiral has been wounded. Anarchy is rampant throughout Russia.

[N.C. Daily News Service.]

RUSSIAN MUTINEERS IN NAGASAKI

Tokyo, 19th November.

A mutiny took place in Nagasaki to-day among the Russian ex-prisoners on board the transport *Vladimir*, *Voronej* and *Yaroslav*. Admiral Wirera tried in vain to pacify the mutineers, who have revolted because they are not allowed to return to Vladivostok, with which they have been in communication.

Tokyo, 20th November.

Four Japanese destroyers are guarding the Russian transports at Nagasaki, and Japanese police are stationed on board the transports. Admiral Rozhdenskiy, who is on one of the transports, is utterly dejected.

Tokyo, 21st November.

At the request of Admiral Rozhdenskiy, the Japanese police have been withdrawn from the Russian transports. General Daniloff, the Russian Repatriation Commissioner, arrived at Nagasaki to-day and had an interview with Admiral Rozhdenskiy; the transportation of the prisoners will probably be postponed.

THE MANCHURIA NEGOTIATIONS.

Peking, 18th November.

At the meeting of the Japanese and Chinese plenipotentiaries on the 17th instant, at the opening of business, the Japanese plenipotentiaries handed in their draft proposals regarding Manchuria, and the Chinese replied that they would submit counter-proposals in writing, and the meeting ended.

The date of the second meeting will be decided upon the receipt of the Chinese counter-proposals. The Chinese Government has represented to the Russian Minister at Peking that it is desirable that Russia should appoint plenipotentiaries, in the same way that Japan has done, to discuss the Manchurian question. The reply of the Russian Minister was, that if any negotiations with China are necessary, he himself will conduct them, and the appointment of plenipotentiaries is unnecessary.

After the first meeting with the Japanese plenipotentiaries, the Chinese plenipotentiaries and the Grand Councilors met at the Grand Council to consider the Japanese proposals.

Peking, 20th November.

The Japanese proposal contains twelve articles, the demands including Chinese recognition of the transfer to Japan of the lease of the Liaoting Peninsula, the ownership of the Chinese Eastern Railway, the right to build a railway between Changchun and Kirin, and the establishment of the railway guards.

China is to consent to the establishment by Japan of military telegraphs and military posts in Manchuria to an extent to be settled.

Japan is to have the concession to build railway lines between Hamulin and Mukden, and between Mukden and Wiju; and to open towns and cities in northern and southern Manchuria.

Japan is to have a prior right to concessions of mines and forests.

Peking, 21st November.

No answer has yet been returned by the Chinese to the Japanese proposals.

Peking, 22nd November.

The Chinese attitude towards the Japanese proposals is very favourable, and it is expected that the negotiations will be concluded earlier than was hoped.

The Chinese Government proposed to pay Japan a sum of twenty million taels; but Japan declines to receive the sum, and will make it a present to China.

Baron Komura has been paying calls on a number of the principal Princes of the first, third, and fourth Orders (Tsingwang, Paise, and Peileh) in Peking.

Peking, 23rd November.

The Chinese plenipotentiaries, after having considered among themselves the Japanese proposals sent their answer to the Japanese plenipotentiaries on the 21st instant.

The second meeting of the two sets of plenipotentiaries was to be held at 3 p.m. on the 23rd instant.

A NEW LIGHT ON THE TIBET QUESTION.

Peking, 19th November.

Great Britain having recognised that Tibet is a portion of the territory of China, the latter Power has agreed to pay Great Britain several millions towards the expense of her recent expedition, as indemnity, and the first instalment thereof, amounting to Tls. 1,200,000, will be paid within the present month.

JAPAN'S RELATIONS WITH COREA.

Tokyo, 18th November.

As a result of the frequent and prolonged conferences between the Ministers of the Emperor of Corea and Marquis Ito, Mr. Hayashi, and General Hasegawa, and the negotiations concerning the new status of Corea, it was finally decided at 2 a.m. on Saturday, when Marquis Ito retired to the palace, that Corea consents that Japan shall have supreme control at Seoul, and that the finances of the empire, the open ports, and the foreign affairs shall be entirely under Japanese management.

Tokyo, 19th November.

Marquis Ito has been congratulated by the diplomatists at Seoul on his success. Hasegawa, the Korean Minister who was exiled on account of his refusal to sign the new agreement, was subsequently pardoned through Marquis Ito's influence.

Tokyo, 20th November.

The agreement between Japan and Corea comprises five articles. Japan assumes the diplomatic of Corea. The Japanese Ministers and Consuls abroad represent Corea's interests. Japan takes the responsibility of the existing treaties between Corea and other countries. The Japanese representative at Seoul is to conduct Corea's diplomacy.

Tokyo, 21st November.

The British and other Ministers at Seoul have given assurances of their welcome of the new agreement on its publication. The Emperor of Corea has issued an edict, expressing his satisfaction with the protectorate assumed by Japan.

Tokyo, 23rd November.

The Korean Foreign Office has been abolished. The Japanese Governor Resident is established at what was formerly the Legation.

THE OUTBREAK AT VLADIVOSTOK.

Nagasaki, 20th November.

The following account is from an Englishman who left Vladivostok on the 13th, and arrived here on the 17th instant:—

"On the morning of the 12th inst. the troops mutinied on a grand scale, and slaughtered some four hundred of their officers, including General Putiloff. They dragged heavy guns to the city proper, and fired them in all directions on everything indiscriminately, working 'great havoc, and nearly all the buildings inside the city were burned and destroyed. Admiral Esen with his family took refuge on board the German steamer *Arctica*, and is fleeing to Moji."

"The cause of this appalling tragedy is traced to the refusal of the troops of permission to return to their European homes. The sailors also took part in the general mutiny, and the men-of-war all left their anchorages and steamed out of the harbour."

The following is the report brought by the Russian hospital ship *Monogol*, which arrived at Nagasaki from Vladivostok on the 17th inst.:—

"Throughout the 12th and 13th inst. Vladivostok was all ablaze day and night, and half of the ill-fated city has been swept away by the flames, and reduced to utter ruin. This awful tragedy seems to have been initiated and carried out by the dissatisfied troops and labourers in their excitement at the instigation of the revolutionary party."

"The German colony telegraphed to the authorities at Tsingtao to dispatch German men-of-war to assist. The women and children took refuge on board the merchant vessels in harbour."

A Chinese who arrived at Nagasaki from Vladivostok on the 17th inst. says:—

"Troops belonging to Hsienan came into the city of Vladivostok, and let themselves loose on everything they came in contact with, breaking into shops and the Custom-house, and the sad and terrible tragedy was the result of the attempt of the authorities to repress them."

Peking, 22nd November.

The Chinese Commercial Agent at Vladivostok has telegraphed to the Waiwupai that the damage suffered by the Chinese in the recent outbreak amounts to ten million taels, which sum must be claimed from Russia. The Waiwupai has opened negotiations on these claims with the Russian Minister at Peking.

A PRETTY WEDDING.

DANBY-HART.

Yesterday the wedding of Mr. James Denison Danby, second son of Mr. William Danby, C.B.E., of Hongkong, to Miss Dorothy Margaret Hart, eldest daughter of Dr. Hart, of Birmingham, recently arrived from Home, took place at St. John's Cathedral, which was decorated for the occasion.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. H. W. Robertson, was attired in a dress of white net over chiffon silk, with lace insertion. Her hat was trimmed with a white feather and roses. She also wore a sprig of holly, an enamelled and pearl pendant, and a pearl spray brooch and carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums and lilies.

The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. J. H. Franks, and after attending the reception held at Mr. W. Danby's residence, Mr. and Mrs. Danby left for Macao, where the honeymoon is being spent.

THE FLOOD OF COPPER CURRENCY.

The Viceroy of Liangkang, H. E. Chow Fa, in receipt of instructions from the Board of Revenue, relative to the limitation of the daily output of ten-shan copper pieces from the several provincial mints. According to the new rules, Liangkang province is allowed to turn out each day not over 1,000,000 of such coins, which would place the Viceroy in an embarrassing position. It seems that the indebtedness incurred by the mint at Nanking in the past amounts to Tls. 4,000,000; at the same time, the Council of Army Organisation has allotted to the Liangkang province the sum of Tls. 800,000, to be raised annually, as its share of the expenses in organising the new Army of China. The various measures being introduced in connection with the scheme of reform, too, consume enormous sums of money. All these items are a fearful drain on the provincial treasury, which is, however, at present replenished by the profits derived from the copper cash mint. In case, therefore, the output be limited to 1,000,000 pieces per diem, the profits would be greatly reduced, rendering the meeting of the provincial expenditures a very grave difficulty. The Viceroy, therefore, proposes to protest against the new Board rule, and should his protest be of no avail, he will have to arrange to evade in some way the rule in question—*Nanfungtao*.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. str. *Chusan* left Singapore for this port on the 26th inst. at 8 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 2nd prox. at 6 a.m.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Ajax* left Singapore on the 26th inst. at 5 p.m., and is due here on the 1st Dec.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Heinrich*, which left here on the 24th inst. at 4 p.m., arrived at Shanghai on Sunday at 10 a.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Sachsen*, which left here on Wednesday at noon, arrived at Singapore on Sunday at 4 p.m.

BURGLARS AT WORK.

GREGOR AND CO'S PREMISES BROKEN INTO.

Between 1.30 p.m. on Saturday, and eight o'clock on Monday morning, Messrs. Gregor and Co's premises in Queen's Road were entered by burglars and goods to the value of (so far as can be estimated at present) \$300 stolen. The robber or robbers forced open the heavy, barred door at the rear of the premises. They cut a square hole in the wood level with the bar, and it would appear that they forced this in until they loosened the staples, thus obtaining free access. Evidently one of the robbers was a connoisseur, for nothing but the best brands of wine, spirits and cigars was annexed. Further, if Chinese are the culprits, they were not of the boycotting fraternity, for a quantity of the best American whisky was included in their booty. Having helped themselves liberally to the goods in the outside store, the robbers next paid a visit of inspection to the manager's office. They ransacked Mr. Pescio's desk, which, fortunately, at the time contained little of value. Their search, however, could not have been of the keenest, for standing on the top of the desk was a solid silver cup valued at \$100. This Messrs. Gregor and Co. intend to present to the winner of a baseball competition, the best out of three games, between a picked team from the crew of the U.S.S. *Raleigh* and a team of local Americans. This cup was left untouched. Indications point to the fact that some of the robbers were acquainted with the premises, and further, that they were not disturbed in their work. The back door was left open, and their tools were placed behind it, so that their first intention on leaving was evidently to return. It is considered likely that the robbery was committed during Saturday afternoon, as that was the most favourable time for getting away with the goods without detection. When Mr. Pescio learned of the occurrence yesterday morning, he immediately reported the affair to the police, and detectives are now investigating.

THE RECENT FIRE IN DES VŒUX ROAD.

PROCEEDINGS AT THE MAGISTRACY.

At the Magistrate's yesterday afternoon the matter of the fire in a native merchant's shop in Des Vœux Road was mentioned to Mr. F. A. Hazeland. In connection with the occurrence two men are in custody.

Mr. O. D. Thomson made application for bail.

Mr. Hursthouse, from the Crown Solicitor's office, said the shop was found on fire in five different places, and there could be no doubt that some one was responsible.

His Worship said the rule was to grant bail if the prosecution did not object.

Mr. Hursthouse said he could not consent to bail.

His Worship said the men would have to remain in custody at present, but Mr. Thomson might renew his application in another week.

A PRISONER'S DEATH.

Sitting at the magistracy yesterday, Mr. F. A. Hazeland with the following jury: Messrs. John Osborne, L. J. C. Anderson, and George L. Danan, conducted an inquiry into the circumstances of the death of Tang Tai, a coolie, who died in Victoria Gaol on Sunday.

His Worship explained that he was required by law to hold an inquiry into the cause of the death of every prisoner who died in Victoria Gaol.

Mr. E. J. Pierpont, the chief warder, stated that the body of the jury had just viewed was that of Tang Tai, a coolie aged 65, who was received into prison on 20th November, 1899, under sentence of death for murder, this sentence being afterwards commuted to ten years' penal servitude.

An assistant hospital warder deposed to taking over charge of the deceased yesterday morning at 6 o'clock in a dying condition. He died at 8.20 a.m.

Dr. Moore, medical officer of the gaol, said that deceased was admitted to the hospital on the 18th inst. suffering from heart disease. A few days before his death he had a convulsive seizure. On making a post mortem examination of the body that morning he found there had been a considerable softening of the brain substance, and in his opinion death was due to cerebral softening.

The jury returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

THE STARTLING FIND IN THE HARBOUR.

HUEDEE SUSPECTED.

The mysterious affair which we reported yesterday—the finding of the body of an Indian in a box floating in the harbour near Laichikok—has now assumed a different aspect. Found play is suspected, with good reason, as there is a previously overlooked bullet wound in the forehead. Four Indians are in custody. They will be brought before the magistrate to-day. Robbery is believed to have been the motive for the crime.

DEPARTURE OF THE INTERNED RUSSIAN SAILORS.

The interned Russian sailors who are encamped at Kowloon are about to take their departure. They will leave here on Friday by the Russian cruiser *Almas* which arrived in the port on Saturday from Vladivostok. This vessel, commanded by Captain Ougromoff, was a unit of the Baltic Fleet and succeeded in passing unscathed through the Japanese lines to the northern port. The officers and men interned at Kowloon number 68, and are in charge of Mr. Skrydloff. The *Almas* proceeds to Saigon.

HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

With the end of the month so near at hand and the dollar standing at 2/1 1/2, the "topic of the hour" is the salary question. When exchange went down to below 1/7 the wailing of the men who are paid on the silver basis was loud in the land, while the contentment of those paid on a sterling basis was the smile of prosperity and content. Now the lamentations are heard in the other camp. This rise in the dollar makes a lump sum a difference in some men's salaries. Stories are going the rounds of certain Government officials who in the last twelve months have earned increments in their salaries, and now find that they are getting about \$100 less a month than they were receiving before they obtained what I suppose must be called a "Irishman's" increment. A big rise in exchange, therefore, hits the sterling man harder than the fall hits the silver man, for his expenses are mainly in silver unless he resides in one of the hotels whose rates are fixed in sterling.

Once the remainder of these jottings passed by the hands of the compositor, I have learnt something that affects the accuracy of the concluding remark of the preceding note. The Hongkong Hotel Company have reverted to silver basis in their charges to monthly residents and have intimated their intention to continue charging in dollars until exchange drops again to 2/- when the accounts will again be stated in pounds sterling. Thus even the men paid in sterling and living in the hotel are not unaffected by the rise in exchange. A married couple who have been paying £20 a month, and have now to pay (on a 2/- basis) \$200, will be paying about \$9 more than would have been the case at the present rate of exchange had the sterling charges remained unaltered. The Hotel Company converted their rates three years ago at an exchange of 1/8. Since May, 1903, exchange has not dropped below that figure. The approximate average exchange value of the dollar in 1900 was 2s. 0 1/2d; 1901, 1s. 11 1/2d; 1902, 1s. 8 1/2d; 1903, 1s. 8 1/2d; and 1904, 1s. 10d.

People are now, of course, complaining that the cost of the necessities of life in the Colony is practically the same as when the exchange value of the dollar was at 1/8. It is all very well for the consumer to demand reductions, but in comparatively few cases is it possible for tradesmen to appreciably reduce their charges. It can, of course, be done on goods imported directly from gold-using countries, but tradesmen cannot afford to sell a ten-shilling article now at the same figure they were able to sell it at when the exchange value of the dollar last stood at 2/-.

In the interval the dollar has been down to 1/6 1/2, rents have gone up enormously in the Colony, and consequently salaries have had to go up to enable men to pay these increased rents. If the reader will ponder over the matter he will realise that a general increase in rents must inevitably lead to higher salaries, and to pay these higher salaries prices generally have had to be increased. The whole question of "the cost of living" in Hongkong revolves around the question of rents—the rents, bear in mind not only of the resident European population, but the entire Chinese community as well. Building operations in the Colony have not kept pace with the steady growth in population. The Building Ordinance of 1903 has probably checked investment in Chinese house property, for the Ordinance has detailed heavy expenses on owners of such property. These expenses are, of course, recovered from tenants in the form of higher rentals, and the result is that the wages of labourers and artisans have appreciably increased. It would, indeed, be very instructive if the Government were to compile, as the Japanese Government does, a table showing the average wage of artisans and labourers every year. In the last edition of the Japanese "Bosun's Statistics" it is shown that wages increased from 60 to 100 per cent from 1895 to 1901. And during the last ten years the increase has been about the same proportion. I should think, in Hongkong, there can never be any stability of prices in Hongkong until we get a fixed exchange.

There is food for reflection in the announcement made by the Chairman of the Dairy Farm Co. last week that if the community do not support the frozen food branch of the Company's business, better than they have done heretofore, Hongkong will lose what the directors of the company rightly enough regard as a very important branch of the company's business. The company is certainly entitled to take credit for checking the rise in the price of butchers' meat in the colony last year, and the community would probably soon find cause to rue it if the foreign food supply business were discontinued. If it were possible to sell Australian meat in Hongkong at the same rates as local butchers' meat, I imagine there would be no reason to complain of lack of support, but the Chairman was doubtless correct when he intimated that many, perhaps, did not realise that "there is really not the difference between the company's rates and those ruling for Chinese meat as would at first sight appear." The trouble is that this is not generally recognised. The Chairman said that besides getting 25 per cent more nutriment by purchasing Australian meat, customers could be sure of obtaining full weight at the company's depot. They do not always get it in the market.

The writer of the letter which appeared in the Daily Press one day last week lamenting that there is no Society of Amateur Photographers in Hongkong, when, as Long Hing & Co.'s competition shows, there is no lack of interest in photography in the colony, is evidently a comparatively new comer. Attempts have been made to form a society of the kind in the colony. Only two years ago what at the start looked a promising attempt was made, but it came to nothing. There is, however, one little society of the kind in the colony, but it is confined to men in the service of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. Some of the best work in the exhibition was done by members of this little society. By-the-way, I wonder whether the judges noticed that the picture which they awarded the first prize has the defect which results from the camera being moved during the exposure? And, vide the third prize, is it true that in Hongkong Harbour the sun sets in the East?

Hongkong is to have a Fantomime this Christmas at the theatre. The Zorilla Musical Comedy Company, I understand, have booked the theatre for Christmas week and intend putting on a pantomime. This will be a novelty in Hongkong, and will doubtless prove a great attraction.

BANYAN.
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(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

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A CHINESE "HELITIST" FIEND.

A man surnamed Fung recently started a company in Ping-chow (Nanhai district) called the Yee Wo On and hung up a signboard showing that the concern was British. The last Nanhai magistrate, Woo Ming Poon, closed the company's offices under the plea that Fung could not carry on business in the interior under a foreign signboard. On the other hand a complaint had been lodged with the Nanhai against Fung for infringing the trade-mark ordinance by using an imitation of the trade-mark (flower-bark) belonging to a Japanese firm. The complaint was sent to the Nanhai by the Japanese Consul in Hongkong, who requested that an investigation should be made into the matter. Fung petitioned the Chamber of Commerce pointing out that the trade-mark in question was used by him before same was registered by the Japanese. The Viceroys says Fung might be right to use the trade-mark, but he had no business to use a foreign hong name.

BOYCOTT PICTURES CONDEMNED.

Viceroys Shum having received a despatch from the American Consul General asking him to suppress a boycott newspaper, which is published here three times a month, instructed the Poon-Yu to deal with it. The Poon-Yu wrote to the Boycott committee ordering them to stop publication. The Boycott committee replied that the paper is not edited under their auspices. The paper referred to is probably the *She-shi-Hua-pao* (Illustrated magazine) which recently gave pictures of the drowning of a Chinese comrade who was thrown over the Shamen bridge by American sailors. It has also had boycott cartoons.

CHINESE TIDE WAITERS.

Two Chinese tide waiters, surnamed Chu and Ng, belonging to the Custom's staff at Swatow, have been denounced by a merchant and are accused of having accepted bribes from smugglers. Both men have been arrested and will be sent to Canton for trial.

LAND OWNER'S DEEDS.

In order to prevent complications arising in the matter of land purchases made by foreigners (merchants or missionaries), the Viceroys of Liang-King and Viceroys Shum have mutually agreed that in future purchasers applying to be registered as owners shall produce the red deeds (original deeds already stamped) which they receive from the seller, together with the white deeds (deeds of sale). Viceroys Shum has instructed different magistrates under his jurisdiction and the Bureau of Foreign Affairs to place this new regulation on record.

HARBOR POLICE.

The Sin-hau-kuk have agreed to advance \$100,000 towards the expenses for policing the harbour. This sum will be repaid from the receipts of the new tax which will be imposed. Commodore Wong Pui-Chung has been appointed to look after this department.

BOYCOTT DEPUTATION TO HONGKONG.

On the 23rd inst. the Boycott committee held a meeting to decide how to answer the letter from the American merchants at the last Conference. The committee have decided to send Au Tat Po, Ho Sim-Chuen, Wong-Fui Man and Ho Chap Man to Hongkong to consult with leading merchants there and to take advice from a solicitor. Telegrams will be sent to the Shanghai committee and to friends in America on the matter and then a reply will be drafted and sent to the American merchants. The party left for Hongkong yesterday morning and are expected to return here on Monday.

RAILWAY PROFITS IN CHINA.

The Tientsin-Shanhai Railway has been reaping golden harvests. Last year, after paying off the interest on the British bonds and redeeming these, the numbers of which came out in the annual drawing, and after defraying the running expenses, and appropriating a large sum as a loan for the construction of the Peking-Kalgan Railway, there was left a net profit of over £1,200,000. It is reported that out of this sum, £1,200,000 will be presented to their Majesties to replenish the Privy Purse; £1,200,000 will be set apart for the Peiyang administration; H.E. Hu Yu-fen, Administrator of Northern Railways, will receive £1,200,000; and the remaining lakh or so will be divided as a bonus among the employees, in proportion to their monthly salaries.—*Nanjangpao*.

AN EFFECT OF HIGH EXCHANGE.

In consequence of the prevailing high rate of exchange, the Hongkong Hotel has given notice to its permanent residents that from January 1st they will be charged on the basis of a two shilling dollar, unless and until exchange falls below that rate.

THE NOTICE SAYS.

"When rates for monthly residents were changed into sterling some three years ago, the rate of conversion was taken at 1s. 8d. The recent rise in exchange (without a corresponding fall in the cost of wages, victualling, and other expenses) is causing the Hotel Company a serious loss."

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 27th November.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUISNE JUDGE).

CLAIM FOR FOOD AND CLOTHING.

Gogger Singh sued Sowam Singh to recover the sum of \$30, being as to \$24 price of clothing supplied.

Mr. O. D. Thomson represented the plaintiff, and Mr. F. X. d'Almada e Castro appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Thomson stated that the plaintiff and defendant came from the same village in India. The defendant arrived in the Colony about nine months ago when he saw the plaintiff and asked if he would get him work.

The plaintiff said he would try to do so, and in the meantime he supplied him with food and bought him a coat. Defendant recently got employment in Fenwick's as watchman, but had since refused to repay the amount due.

On Saturday night the defendant visited one of the plaintiff's witnesses, and offered him a bribe of \$15 not to give evidence in this case; he further threatened that if he did he would punish him in some way.

Mr. Almadia said the defence was a complete denial. Ever since the defendant's arrival in the Colony he had lived with two of his countrymen, but never with the plaintiff.

His Lordship, after hearing the evidence, gave judgment for the defendant with costs.

POLICE COURT.

Monday, 27th November.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A DESERTER.

William Harkness, seaman on board the s.s. *Royalist*, was charged with deserting from that ship.

The officer stated that the defendant went ashore without leave. The vessel sailed at 2 o'clock yesterday but returned later in the day for Harkness.

Defendant said he went ashore to buy a loaf but was unable to return to the ship in time because he had no money to pay for transport.

His Worship—Can't you put forward a better excuse than that? It doesn't require seven hours to buy a piece of bread.

The captain said he was willing to take Harkness back. Defendant would, however, have forfeited all the wages due to him, £26.

His Worship, in these circumstances decided not to convict defendant of being a deserter but to treat him as having been absent without leave. As a matter of fact he had simply gone ashore and got drunk.

The officer agreed, remarking that this was not the first occasion on which defendant had gone ashore here.

Defendant was committed to prison for seven days and ordered to forfeit eight days' pay.

A LAME EXCUSE.

A native was charged with stealing two pieces of silk. He said his friend had given him the silk to take to a certain man but he failed to find him, and then his friend ran away. Fined \$7 or 14 days' imprisonment.

AN IMPUDENT THEFT.

Lau Shik was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour for stealing a water tap from the bathroom of an empty house, 33 Robinson Road, yesterday. He was seen to leave the house by an Indian watchman who accosted him. Defendant said he went in to look for a friend. Becoming apprehensive he threw away the tap and ran off but was arrested.

GAMBLERS.

Inspector Gourlay presented 36 natives for gambling. Sgt. Morrison entered a house at Queen's Road West and arrested all the defendants. The three first, charged as masters, were each fined \$100 and the others \$5.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (ACTING SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A PROMPT POLICEMAN.

A rishia coolie named Mok Tam Yak was charged with attempting, along with four others not in custody, to rob a European. It was stated for the prosecution that the European, who was drunk, engaged a rishia at the Western Hotel. He was taken along Connaught Road and at a dark spot near the Canton Wharf the coolie dropped the rishia and with four others surrounded the drunken man and began to search him. The arrival of a policeman caused them to take to their heels but defendant was arrested. His Worship held there was insufficient evidence and acquitted him.

AN EFFECTIVE ARGUMENT.

A native who appeared with his face all bandaged up charged a fellow workman at the Naval Yard with assault. Apparently they had quarrelled, and defendant struck complainant on the face with a hatchet several times. A fine of \$5 or ten days' with \$1 compensation was imposed.

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ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

Club Races, Sunday, Nov. 26.

CHAMPIONSHIP.

A fine easterly breeze, which eventually veered to the S.E., no sea, and a brilliant sun, made this an almost perfect day for racing. All the boats in this class ignored the starting line as defined by the lamp posts, and took the mark boat as the proper place to start from. *Elaph* did not seem to be going at all well, especially in the heat to the Channel Rocks, when she was almost overhauled by *Kathleen*. She appeared to be sailed too fine. Time:—

<i>Dione</i>	1	11	43
<i>Vernon</i>	1	15	22
<i>Elaph</i>	1	18	12

ONE DESIGN.

In this race all four boats were over the proper line before gunfire, although well behind the mark boat. *Kathleen* got much the best of the start, while *Min*, who seemed to have conscientious scruples about the proper place to start from, got left. *Kathleen* rounded the Channel Rocks about a minute and a half ahead of *Colleen*, with *Min* and *Bonito* close up. At the Quarry Bay mark boat, she was very nearly two minutes ahead, but with the bad luck that seems to be dogging her at present, she must have caught something on her rudder, and was rapidly passed by both *Colleen* and *Min*, and only rounded the East Rock buoy just in front of *Bonito*. The wind shifting a bit to the south, it was now a close-hauled race, to the Channel Rocks, which *Min* and *Colleen* rounded close together, *Kathleen* three minutes behind, and *Bonito* just behind her. On the reach across, not much difference took place, except that *Bonito* went slightly ahead of *Kathleen*, the order of rounding the Mark boat being *Min*, *Colleen*, *Bonito* and *Kathleen*. Owing to there being so little windward work, only two and a half minutes separated the first and last boat. Times:—

<i>Min</i>	1	27	47
<i>Colleen</i>	1	28	30
<i>Kathleen</i>	1	29	55
<i>Bonito</i>	1	30	08

HANDICAP CLASS.

In this class a new boat made her appearance—one of the skimming dish variety, with centre board—but did not do much good, and did not wait for her gun at the finish.

<i>Alasnah</i>	1	36	38
<i>Chanticleer</i>	1	38	45
<i>Gloria</i>	1	52	58
<i>Daisy</i>	1	52	58

VOLUNTEER RIFLE CLUB.

Fifteen members took part in the Competition for the Rifle Association Trophy and Handicap Cup on Saturday afternoon. The Trophy was won by Lt. Hayton and the Handicap Cup by Gunner Cole of Loft Hall No. 1 Company. The 600 yards range was fired at with a fading light and in the rain, making shooting at this distance very difficult. This accounts for the poor scoring of many of the good shots.

Following are the scores:—

Name	200	300	400	500	600	Total
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* Lt. Hayton 29 33 26 88 83
* Gunner Coles 24 22 24 18 88
* Sgt. Andrews 30 33 22 88 83
* Gunner Scoby 30 29 21 5 85
Sgt. Gray 28 32 24 82 82
Bomb. Watson 29 29 23 81 81
Gunner Rogers 30 26 24 8 81
Lt. Northcote 23 17 20 18 78
Gunner Marshall 33 22 16 87 71
Bomb. Rees 26 20 16 9 71
Bomb. Blood 21 14 23 12 70
Sgt. Terrill 30 25 14 87 69
Gunner Pellow 30 25 8 4 67
Gunner Wright 17 24 18 6 67

* Winners of spoons.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

The principal scores in the "Pool" competition on Saturday were as follows:—

P. L. Miller	54	16	70
Dr. E. Evan Jones	53	17	70
J. A. Lyon	53	17	70
W. T. H. Williams	47	23	70
J. C. Peter	61	6	67
A. J. Williams	47	20	67
J. J. Stubbings	44	23	67
J. C. Gow	66	ser.	66
W. C. Winterburn	50	16	66
W. L. Carter	57	8	65
J. H. Pidgeon	62	2	64
T. Ahley	54	10	64
E. W. Terrey	56	8	64
J. Whittall	61	3	64
F. Fisher	57	4	61
W. H. A. Moore	38	21	59
W. T. Edwards	44	14	58
J. S. Lewington	41	14	55
T. P. Cochran	33	24	57
A. Jenkins	53	ser.	53
J. Hutchings	29	24	53

AMERICAN PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO CONGRESS.

An epitome of the President's regular message to Congress, which will be delivered to that body upon the convocation of the Senate and House of Representatives on December 6, has been secured by the Press and was, to-day published.

In the message President Roosevelt dwells with emphasis upon four points calling for legislative or executive action. These are:—

1.—Greater federal control of railroad rate-making.

2.—Federal supervision of insurance companies.

3.—Further restriction by the federal government of the giant trusts and regulation of trust methods of business.

4.—A revision of the Chinese exclusion laws and a firm demand upon China for the immediate suspension of the boycott.

Besides these cardinal points of national policy touched upon by the President, the attention of Congress is also called to the necessity of a revision of existing tariff schedules to the necessity of establishing free trade between the Philippines and the United States, and to the need of a navy large enough to insure the position of America as a world power.

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SMART READY-MADE COSTUMES.

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THE BURLINGTON.

2, PEDDER STREET, OPPOSITE THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1905.

JAPAN AND MANCHURIA.

The proposal, handed in by Baron Komura at the first conference with the Chinese plenipotentiaries on the 21st inst., is said to comprise seventeen articles, as follows:—

(1) China's recognition of the transfer to Japan of the lease of Liaoning Peninsula.

(2) The ownership by Japan of the Chinese Eastern Railway.

(3) The establishment of Japanese post offices and telegraphs.

(4) Japan is to be allowed 18 months within which to evacuate Manchuria.

(5) The establishment by Japan of Consulates and military posts at Newchwang, Fengtien, Antung, Kirin, and Changchun.

(6) Japan is to have the privilege of establishing its banks in Newchwang, Fengtien, and Kirin, the same to be permitted to open branches in whichever place where trade is prosperous.

(7) The Commissioner of Customs at Newchwang is to be a Japanese.

(8) The opening of Manchuria and the extension of its trade in general.

(9) The concession to extend the Chinese Eastern Railway.

(10) The right of exploiting mines.

(11) The control of the salt industry.

(12) The monopoly of the timber industry on the right bank of the Yalu River.

(13) Right of residence by Japanese in any part of Manchuria.

(14) Japan is to be first consulted in the granting of concessions to foreigners.

(15) The term of this treaty is to be 10 years.

(16) Newchwang to be regarded as an open port.

THE ISSUE OF STANDARD SILVER CURRENCY.

Following is an Imperial Decree of Nov. 13 translated for the *M. C. Daily News*.—We have a memorial from the Commissioners on Finance concerning the proposed issue of a standard silver currency of uniform weights, fineness and touch, and also a copy of the proposed rules and regulations for the guidance of the Mints in the provinces. The memorialists further state that the silver dollars and subsidiary coins struck in the provincial mints were turned out to meet certain financial contingencies affecting said provinces at the time and therefore such silver money cannot be taken as standard legal tender. The memorialists now recommend the minting of a standard silver coinage of three denominations, such as one-ounce pieces, half-ounce, or five-mace pieces, two-mace and one-mace pieces, of the Government legal "K'uping" (Treasury, or Board of Revenue) standard weight and fineness. The new currency, continue the memorialists, can be used in conjunction with the silver coins now in circulation throughout the country. As the question of financial reform and a standard currency is one of the most important before us, we hereby command the Board of Revenue to take the requisite regulations which have been presented to us for approval and send instructions without delay to the Chihli, Kiangsu, Hupeh, and Kuangtung provincial mints to coin silver currency at once in accordance therewith. This new silver currency shall in the future be accepted and used as legal tender in all transactions, government as well as private. Whatever other matters that may be required to be dealt with that have not been reported to us by the memorialists are to be reported to us for approval by the said Board on occasion requires.

PORT SUDAN.

The unsatisfactory port of Suakin will be superseded this month (October) says the *Morning Post*, by a brand-new rival on the Red Sea which has been built up out of coral rock and desert sand by the Egyptian authorities within the short space of nine months. This rival is Port Sudan, the latest addition to the cities of the Empire, and is destined to be a place of magnitude and importance in the days when cotton shall have made it the New Orleans of the East. The place has hitherto been called Mersa Sheikh Barud.

It is more than likely that Port Sudan, as it will now be known, will be officially opened by the Khedive and Lord Cromer early in November. It is about 680 miles south of Suakin, and is capable of holding a dozen vessels of moderate size. The entrance is six hundred feet across, and the land around is six feet above sea level, and a considerable elevation for that flat sea-board, and forms an admirable base for wharves.

Port Sudan is sure to be in the very near future a seaport of considerable importance, and one now greatly needed, for at present there is none between Port and Suakin, a distance of 1,300 miles.

Viceroys and Governors are to be further invested with the title of Administrator of Mines, which, says the *Nanjangpao*, will place them in full control of the mineral wealth in their jurisdiction and make them responsible for the preservation of China's gold and silver and other mines from the hands of any and all outsiders.

BABY GIRL'S AWFUL HUMOUR.

Would Scab Over, Break Open, and Be Raw—Intense Suffering for Two Years—Doctors and Medicines Failed to Help Her.

CURED BY CUTICURA WHEN ALL ELSE FAILED.

Writing under date of August 15, 1904, Mrs. L. C. Walker, of 5 Tremont Street, Woodford, Mass., says: "My sister had a terrible humour on her shoulder when she was eighteen months old, causing intense suffering for two years. We had several doctors, and tried everything, but in spite of all we did it kept spreading. One day it would scab over and then crack open and a watery matter come from it and the scabs would all fall off. It would be raw for a time, then scab over again. Some one recommended Cuticura, and we immediately procured a box of Cuticura O

NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, Binding, &c., should be addressed to the Daily Press only, and special business matters to the Manager.

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Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

POSITION VACANT in the Office of the ROBINSON PIANO CO., Ltd., for a European Clerk.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2672]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MASAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE POSITION OF SECRETARY to the Company will become vacant in April next. Applications for the Appointment (in writing only) are to be addressed to the undersigned.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2674]



ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONRY HALL on FRIDAY, the 1st DECEMBER, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2673]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, On THURSDAY, the 30th November, 1905, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, including:

HANDSOME SIDEBOARD, BRASS BEDHEAD, DRAWING ROOM SUITE, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued. Terms:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2675]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HATAN,"

Captain J. S. Beach, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 30th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2676]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"TRIESTE"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that cargo will be loaded into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the undersigned before Noon on the 4th December or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 4th December will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELEB & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1905. [3]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS AND CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

is now ready and contains:

Epitomes of the Week's News.

Leading Articles:

Japan's Rice Supply.

A Case of Cholera in Amoy.

The Relation of Imports to Exports.

European Politics.

A Serious Business Inconvenience.

China's New Copper Currency.

China's Proposed Constitution.

A Decent Regard for the Opinions of Masked.

Hongkong Jottings.

Companies:

The Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.

Hongkong Steam Water Boat Co.

The Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

The China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.

The Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.

The International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

Canton.

Macao.

Correspondence.

A Hongkong School.

An Injustice to China.

The Lichow Massacre.

American Vindict on Missionaries.

A Territorial Dispute.

Counterfeited Shares.

Fatal Tramway Accident.

Earthquakes at Macao.

Supreme Court.

Duty.

The Ministering Children's League.

Public Opinion in Lintai China.

The Renovation of China.

Quarry Bay Blasting Fatality.

Annual Licensing Sessions.

Fire in Des Vaux Road.

\$10,000 Stolen.

A Disastrous Occurrence.

Interesting Chinese News Items.

The Nippon Yasan Kaisha.

Sale of the Gunboat "Reed."

Miscellaneous.

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Extra copies 30 cents each, Cash.

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1905.

INTIMATIONS

WANTED.

GENTLEMAN WANTS BOARD AND LODGING with a private family. Central locality preferred. Moderate terms. Also desires to rent a suitable Flat or Furnished Bedroom. Apply to—

H. R., Care of "Daily Press" Office. Hongkong, 27th November, 1905. [2686]

SITUATION WANTED.

BY A CHINESE CLERK who has a long experience as GENERAL OFFICE ASSISTANT and BOOKKEEPER. Shipping or Brokers' Office preferred.

Apply to—

P. C., Care of "Daily Press" Office. Hongkong, 25th November, 1905. [2637]

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

BY A Young Englishman with five years' experience in a mercantile firm and with a good knowledge of SHORTHAND and TYPEWRITING.

Apply to—

M. Q. C., Care of "Daily Press" Office. Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2571]

LICENSING SESSIONS.

TAKE NOTICE that the ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING of His Majesty's Police Magistrates and Justices of the Peace for this Colony will be held at the Magistracy on THURSDAY, the 30th day of November, 1905, at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of considering and determining applications for Licenses for a period of twelve months from that date under Ordinance No. 8 of 1898.

F. A. HAZELAND, Police Magistrate.

Magistracy, 22nd November, 1905. [2631]

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 252 (Special).

CHINA SEA.

STORM SIGNAL CODE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after the 1st January, 1906, a new STORM SIGNAL CODE, using symbols instead of flags, will come into operation at the STORM SIGNAL STATIONS of the IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS at the following places:

NEWCHANG, TAKU, CHEFOO CHINKIANG, WUOSUNG, GUTLAPE, FANGDA ANCHORAGE AND AMOY.

Copies of the new code can be obtained from the several Harbour Offices.

At Shanghai the Municipal Storm Signal Station will also use the New Code. At this Station and also at WUOSUNG and Gutlafe the special local Weather Signals by means of flags will be continued as before, but International Flags will be substituted for the Marryat's Flags hitherto used. Codes issued by Shanghai Observatory which can be obtained at the Municipal Storm Signal Station, Shanghai.

W. FERRIS, T.Y.L.E., Coast Inspector.

Coast Inspector's Office, Shanghai, 15th November, 1905. [2634]

HONGKONG REGATTA.

TO BE HELD AT ABERDEEN ON 9th DECEMBER, 1905.

* 11.30 A.M. THE SCULLS.—Rowed in heavy clinker-built boats. Open to those not competing in the Stewards' Challenge Cup. 4 miles. Entrance Fee per Boat \$2.

* 12.00 Noon. BROWN CHALLENGER SHIELD.—Rowed in light six-oared gigs. Open to (a) Royal Garrison Artillery, (b) Royal Engineers, (c) British Infantry Regiments, (d) Departments. Units may enter more than one crew if desired. 1 mile. Entrance Fee per Boat \$3.

* 12.20 P.M. JUNIOR FOURs, B.—Rowed in heavy clinker-built boats. Open to those not competing for the Challenge Cup or Junior Fours, A. Limited to Residents of Hongkong. 1 mile. Entrance Fee per Boat \$10.

* 12.40 P.M. MEN-OF-WAR GIGS AND WHALERS.—Service Boats and Service conditions. 1 mile. Entrance Fee per Boat \$3.

* 1.00 P.M. CHALLENGE CUP. FOR FOUR OARS.—Rowed in light clinker-built boats of 5 strokes, with coxswain. Open to crews representative of any Amateur Rowing Club. 12 miles. Entrance Fee per Boat \$10.

* 2.00 P.M. STEWARDS' CHALLENGE CUP FOR SCULLS.—Rowed in best boats. 1 mile. \$3.

* 2.3 P.M. THE GOVERNOR'S CHALLENGE CUP.—For Four Oars. Limited to Residents of Hongkong. Each boat's crew to be drawn from a single unit which is defined as a Regiment, a Ship, a Corps, the Volunteers, a Firm or any other body of gentlemen working together at the same profession or calling. If any of the above units are not strong enough to provide a complete crew, any combination of two similar units may be made. A club is not included in the definition of a unit. 1 mile. \$10.

* 3.00 P.M. MEN-OF-WAR CUTTERS.—Service boats, service conditions. 1 mile. \$3.

* 3.3 P.M. JUNIOR FOURs, A.—Rowed in heavy clinker-built boats. Open to those not competing for the Challenge Cup or Junior Fours, B. 1 mile. \$10.

* 4.00 P.M. LADIES' PRIZE.—For Pair Oars, clinker-built, with coxswain. Open to pairs representative of any Amateur Rowing Club. 1 mile. \$5.

* 4.30 P.M. DRAGON BOAT RACE.—For Chinese crews. 1 mile.

* These races are open only to Amateurs, and are to be rowed under the Rules of the Amateur Rowing Association.

Entries must be accompanied by Entrance Fees, and close on Friday, November 24th, 1905.

F. W. WARRE, Hon. Sec. Hongkong Regatta. Hongkong, 17th November, 1905. [2602]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), the 29th November, 1905, at 3 p.m., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road (Corner of Ice House Street), A CHOICE AND VALUABLE COLLECTION OF CHINESE AND JAPANESE CURIOS AND FINELY CARVED WOODWORK, the property of a Resident leaving the Colony.

Terms:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1905. [2663]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situated at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong known as Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 FUK LUK LANE, Nos. 100, 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128 and 130, THIRD STREET, Nos. 115, 117, 119, 121, 123, 125 and 127, THIRD STREET, and

No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 FUK SAU LANE to be sold by

PUBLIC AUCTION, in 6 lots or otherwise as the Auctioneer shall decide.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), the 29th day of November, 1905, at 3 o'clock p.m., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street.

Mr. GEORGE P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

THE following is the description of the property:—

LOT 1.—All that piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section B of Island Lot No. 679 containing a frontage to Fuk Luk Lane of 96 feet or thereabouts and an area of 4,520 square feet as the same is held from the Crown for the residue of the term of 999 years from the 25th June, 1881, created by a Crown Lease of Island Lot No. 679 dated the 30th April, 1883. Appportioned Annual Crown Rent \$28.34.

PARTY WALL.—The wall on the Easternmost side of this Lot is a Party wall.

HOUSES.—On this Lot or on some part or parts thereof are erected the substantial houses known as Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 Fuk Luk Lane.

LOT 2.—All that piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria aforesaid intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section C of Island Lot No. 679 containing a frontage to Fuk Luk Lane of 82 feet or thereabouts and an area of 3,876 square feet as the same is held from the Crown for the residue of the term of 999 years from the 25th June, 1881, created by a Crown Lease of Island Lot No. 679 dated the 30th April, 1883. Appportioned Annual Crown Rent \$28.34.

PARTY WALL.—The wall on the Easternmost side of this Lot is a Party wall.

HOUSES.—On this Lot or on some part or parts thereof are erected the substantial houses known as Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, Fuk Luk Lane.

LOT 3.—All that piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria aforesaid intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section D of Island Lot No. 679 containing a frontage to Third Street of 110 feet or thereabouts and an area of 5,396 square feet as the same is held from the Crown for the residue of the term of 999 years from the 25th June, 1881, created by a Crown Lease of Island Lot No. 679 dated the 30th April, 1883. Appportioned Annual Crown Rent \$33.53.

PARTY WALLS.—The wall on the westernmost side of this Lot is a Party wall. The walls on the East side of this Lot dividing the same into Section A of Island Lot No. 679 and which is of a length of 4 feet 7 inches is a Party wall. The wall on the South side of this Lot dividing the same from Section A of Island Lot No. 679 and which is of a length of 4 feet 8 inches is a Party wall.

HOUSES.—On this Lot or on some part or parts thereof are erected the substantial houses known as Nos. 10, 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112 and 114, Third Street.

LOT 4.—All that piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria aforesaid intended to be registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Island Lot No. 679 containing a frontage to Third Street of 110 feet or thereabouts and an area of 5,681 square feet as the same is held from the Crown for the residue of the term of 999 years from the 25th June, 1881, created by a Crown Lease of Island Lot No. 679 dated the 30th April, 1883. Appportioned Annual Crown Rent \$35.68.

PARTY WALL.—The wall on the Easternmost boundary of this Lot is a Party wall.

HOUSES.—On this Lot or on some part or parts thereof are erected the substantial houses known as Nos. 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128 and 130, Third Street.

LOT 5.—All that piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria aforesaid intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section C of Island Lot No. 747 having a frontage to Third Street of 117 feet 4 inches or thereabouts and an area of 8,101 square feet as the same is held from the Crown for the residue of the term of 999 years from the 25th June, 1881, created by a Crown Lease of Island Lot No. 747 dated the 30th April, 1883. Appportioned Annual Crown Rent \$49.65.

PARTY WALL.—The wall on the Easternmost boundary of this Lot is a Party wall.

HOUSES.—On this Lot or on some part or parts thereof are erected the substantial houses known as Nos. 115, 117, 119, 121, 123, 125 and 127, Third Street.

LOT 6.—All that piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria aforesaid intended to be registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Island Lot No. 747 containing a frontage to Fuk Sau Lane of 117 feet and 4 inches or thereabouts and an area of 6,219 square feet as the same is held from the Crown for the residue of the said term of 999 years. Appportioned Annual Crown Rent \$50.62.

PARTY WALL.—The wall on the Easternmost boundary of this Lot is a Party wall.

HOUSES.—On this Lot or on some part or parts thereof are erected the substantial houses known as Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 Fuk Sau Lane.

All the above described Lots are respectively more particularly delineated on a Sale plan thereof which can be inspected at the offices of Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES and MASTER, the Vendors' Solicitors at any time previous to the sale.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to—

Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, 3, Des Vaux Road Central, Vendors' Solicitors; or to Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 8th November, 1905. [2530]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, On MONDAY, the 4th December, 1905, at 12 o'clock (NOON), the Steam Launch

"DAKIN"

Length ... 50 feet

Breadth ... 10 feet

Depth ... 5 feet 6 inches

Engines ... 2 Compound Inverted.

Speed ... 9 Miles at Kowloon Docks.

Build ... 3 Kowloon Docks.

For further particulars, apply to—

Geo. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1905. [2635]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTTOE'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 30, Eldon Road, and Mr. AH YAU'S FERRY WHARF STALL.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1905.

NOTICES OF FIRMS

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. GENERAL MANAGERS for Hongkong for the above Society, in the place of Mr. F. KIENE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON, General Manager for the East.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2573]

OCEAN ACCIDENT AND GUARANTEE CORPORATION, LTD.

HEAD OFFICE: MOORGATE STREET, LONDON.

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. AGENTS for the above Corporation, in place of Mr. F. KIENE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON, Manager for the East.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2574]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LD.

NEW ISSUE SHARES.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that the FINAL CALL of \$5.00 (five dollars) per Share has been made, and is PAYABLE at the Company's Office, 8, Queen's Road Central, on or before 1st December, 1905.

BONDHOLDERS, on or before 1st December, 1905, the above-mentioned call to send to the Company's Agents their Provisional Share Certificates for endorsement.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th October, 1905. [2427]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

LOST.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 3025 for TEN SHARE numbered 17986 to 17996 and 4271 to 4275 inclusive, standing in the Register in the name of EDWARD S. TELLIM, of Hongkong, having been LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said CERTIFICATE be produced at the Office of the Company, 5, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the Seventeenth day of December, 1905, a new Certificate for the said Shares will be issued and the old Certificate will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1905. [2603]

HONGKONG BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

BOOKBINDING.</

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
AMERICA MARU, Japanese str., 3,460, Philip
 going, 27th Nov., San Francisco, 27th
 Oct., and Shanghai 24th Nov., Manila and
 General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.
BAINBRIDGE, U.S. torpedo boat, 420, Lieut.
 Irwin, 27th Nov., from Manila.
BARRY, U.S. torpedo boat, 420, Lieut. Wood-
 ward, 27th Nov., from Manila.
CHUNSHANG, British str., 1,418, R. Cox, 27th
 Nov.,—Chungking 23rd Nov., Rice—Jar-
 rino, Matheson & Co.
HONGKONG, British str., 2,380, J. Slater, 27th
 Nov.,—Panang 18th Nov. and Singapore
 21st, General—Joo Tek Seng.
INDRAVELLI, British str., 3,768, S. Cullington,
 27th Nov.,—Dunbar 23rd Oct.—Gibb,
 Livingston & Co.
KEONGWAI, German str., 1,115, Kohler, 27th
 Nov.,—Swatow 20th Nov., Rice and Wood.
 Butterfield & Swire.
KOHCHANG, German str., 2,292, C. Gosewisch,
 27th Nov.,—Bangkok 17th Nov., Rice and
 Timber—Butterfield & Swire.
LOONGSANG, British str., 1,692, A. E. Sandbach,
 27th Nov.,—Manila 24th Nov., General—
 Jarro, Matheson & Co.
TOURANE, French str., 3,104, R. Girard, 27th
 November—Yokohama 18th Nov., General—
 Messageries Maritimes.
THIRISTE, British str., 3,393, D. Mistrorigo,
 27th Nov.,—Shanghai 24th Nov., General—
 Sander, Wieler & Co.
TSINAN, British str., 1,408, C. Lindbergh, 27th
 November—Kobe 23rd Nov., General—
 General—Butterfield & Swire.
ZAFIRO, British str., 1,618, R. Rodger, 27th
 November—Manila 24th Nov., General—
 Shawan, Tomes & Co.

CLEANANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office.
 27th November.
Hainan, British str., for Swatow.
Phayon, French str., for Foochow.
Tourane, French str., for Saigon.
DEPARTURES.
 25th November.
SCHUYKILL, British str., for New York.
 27th November.
CHUNSHANG, British str., for Canton.
KWANGTAI, Chinese str., for Canton.
MERKOO, Chinese str., for Canton.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Touane* reports: Moderate
 N.E. wind and sea and fine weather.
 The British str. *Indravelli* reports: Strong
 monsoon, high sea, clear weather. 13 deaths on
 the trip.
 The French str. *Tourane* reports: Light
 northerly winds to Turnabout; then light N.E.
 monsoon to Hongkong; fine clear weather all
 through.
 The British str. *Longhai* reports: Light
 to moderate monsoon winds and sea to north of
 Paracels, and from thence to port fresh to
 strong winds with high sea and fine weather.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

27th November.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—*Kowloon*, *Edwards*,
Hibernia, *Hercules*, *Wongfong*, H.M.S. *Fane*,
Hongkong.
CRIMFOLTON DOCK.—

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN."

Captain A. J. Robson, will be despatched for the
 above ports TO-DAY, the 28th inst., at
 10 A.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAIRDALE & CO.,
 General Managers.
 Hongkong, 27th November, 1905. [2668]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

THE Steamship

"TOURANE."

Captain Girard, will be despatched for
 MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 28th
 November, at 1 P.M.
 Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading
 issued for above ports.
 Cargo also booked for principal places in
 Europe.
 Next sailings will be as follows:
 S.S. "TOKIN" ... 12th Dec.
 S.S. "ARMAND BEHIC" ... 26th Dec.
 S.S. "ERNEST SIMONS" ... 9th Jan.
 G. de CHAMPEAUX,
 Agent.
 Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [2]

EAST ASIATIC CO. LD., COPENHAGEN

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR COPENHAGEN & BALTOIC PORTS

THE Chartered Norwegian Steamship

"EIDSVOLD."

will leave for the above places TO-DAY the
 28th November.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 22nd November, 1905. [2378]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"BENMOIR."

Captain Webster, will be despatched as above
 on or about WEDNESDAY, the 29th inst.
 For Freight, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 22nd November, 1905. [2639]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO VIA KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"OTTA."

Captain Lenchanson, will be despatched as
 above on TUESDAY, 5th December, at 5 P.M.
 For Freight and further particulars, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 21st November, 1905. [2625]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of my Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP.	BENMOIR	Brit. str.	—	Webster	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	About 29th inst.
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	BENGAL	Brit. str.	—	W. W. Cooke, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 2nd Dec., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PALEMO	Brit. str.	—	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 14th Dec.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP	DEUCALION	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th Dec.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HECTOR	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 2nd Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TYDEUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 16th Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DOMINUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 2nd Jan.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	TOBRANE	Fr. str.	—	Grand	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.	To-day, at 1 P.M.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	P. B. LUTFOLD	Ger. str.	—	Melchers & Co.	MELCHERS & CO.	On 6th Dec., at Noon.
COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS	EIDSVOYD	Nor. str.	—	Melchers & Co.	MELCHERS & CO.	To-day.
HAYRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	C. FERR. LARSEN	Ger. str.	k.w.	Meyerdiecks	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 4th Dec.
HAYRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SITIONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Brehmer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 22nd Dec.
HAYRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	—	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 10th Jan.
HAYRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	—	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 24th Jan.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE &c.	—	Aus. str.	—	Mistralgo	SANDER, WILSON & CO.	To-morrow, P.M.
GENOVA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Dec.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	GHAYZE	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 5th Dec.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	INDRANI	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 15th Dec.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	NUBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Habl	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 11th Jan.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	TARPAH	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 29th inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 13th Dec.
VICTORIA (B.C.) SEATTLE, &c. VIA JAPAN	CAEPA	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Dec.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	LYEA	Am. str.	—	G. V. Williams	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 15th Dec.
SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN	MINNESOTA	Am. str.	—	J. H. Baker	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 19th Dec.
PORTLAND, OREGON VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	—	Ersel	PORT & A. S. S. CO.	On 29th inst., at Daylight.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA KOBE & YOKOHAMA	OTTA	Brit. str.	—	Longhorn	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 5th Dec., at 3 P.M.
CALLAO & IQUIQUE VIA JAPAN PORTS	DAROTAH	Brit. str.	—	Ross	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 16th Jan.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA TIMOR	SHENKANG	Brit. str.	—	Powell	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	About 5th Dec., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	EASTERN.	Brit. str.	—	—	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 30th inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA F. WILHELMSHAFEN	TAINAN	Brit. str.	—	Obenauer	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
VLADIVOSTOK VIA NAGASAKI	WILLEHAD	Ger. str.	—	Fokhara	MELCHERS & CO.	On 12th Dec., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOY & KOBE	ITAKA	Ger. str.	k.w.	H. K. Pyle, R.N.R.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	About 10th November.
SHANGHAI VIA NINGPO	PAUWAN	Brit. str.	—	—	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 16th Dec.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TUNGSHI	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI VIA FOOCHOW	ARMAND BERIC.	Fr. str.	—	—	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI	ESANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	SHAOHONG.	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th inst.
SHANGHAI	TRUMPH	Ger. str.	—	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	—	H. W. Kenrich, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 2nd Dec.
SHANGHAI	HANSHANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 2nd Dec., at 3 P.M.
TAMBUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	ICHANG	Brit. str.	—	H. Ohta	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Dec.
TAKAO VIA SWATOW, AMOY & ANPING	DAIJIN MARU	Jan. str.	—	Thorstenberg	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Dec., at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	PROMISE	Brit. str.	2 h.	A. J. Robson	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Dec., at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAIJUN	Brit. str.	—	J. S. Kosch	DOUGLAS LAFRATTE & CO.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
MANILA	HAIYAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th inst., at 10 A.M.
MANILA VIA AMOY	TAMING	Brit. str.	—	R. Bodgar	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 1st Dec., at 10 A.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 1st Dec., at 4 P.M.
SANDAKAN	TEAN	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th Dec.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.	RUH	Brit. str.	—	A. H. Notley	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 9th Dec., at Noon.
JAVA PORTS.	MAUSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 6th Dec., at 3 P.M.
	KUTSANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
	TRILATJAP	Dut. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.

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EUROPEAN SERVICE.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"OANFA"	On 27th November	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AJAX"	On 1st December	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HUGHOW"	On 5th December	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DOMENEUS"	On 12th December	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SIENOR"	On 19th December	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KANCHOW"	On 26th December	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 29th December	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PYRRHUS"	On 2nd January	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 2nd January	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SAINT BEDE"	On 2nd January	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLUS"	On 9th January	

HOMEWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP	"DEUCALION"	On 5th December	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"HECTOR"	On 19th December	
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 20th December	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TIDEUS"	On 2nd January	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DOMENEUS"	On 16th January	

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

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COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA
EASTWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, AND PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO	"OANFA"	On 1st December	
HAMA	"TELEMACHUS"	On 1st January	

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA, AND PACIFIC COAST	"JASON"	On 20th November	
	"TIDEUS"	On 29th December	

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS. (19)

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DAWID, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAMING"	On 28th November	
SHANGHAI	"TANAN"	On 29th November	

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A daily qualified
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For Freight or Passage, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 28th November, 1905.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE. OSTASIATISCHER DIENST.

Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN,
LONDON, OXFORD, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRINITY, GENOA, PORTS IN THE
LEVANTE, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES	Freight
C. FERD. LAESZ (HAYRE and HAMBURG)	Call at Singapore, Penang and Colombo	On 4th Dec.	Freight.
SITHONIA (HAYRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG)	Call at Singapore, Penang and Colombo	On 22nd Dec.	Freight.
Capt. Brohm	Call at Singapore, Penang and Colombo	On 10th Jan.	Freight.
Capt. ...	Call at Singapore, Penang and Colombo	On 24th Jan.	Freight.
Capt. ...	Call at Singapore, Penang and Colombo	On 24th Jan.	Freight.
Capt. ...	Call at Singapore, Penang and Colombo	On 24th Jan.	Freight.
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VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA

VIA

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Sailing Date
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Friday, December 15th
PLEIADES	3,753	F. G. Farrington	Friday, December 29th

† Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND
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QUEEN'S BUILDINGS,
Hongkong, 20th November, 1905.

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT
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STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
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N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES
IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 6th December
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 20th December
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 3rd January
GNESSEN	WEDNESDAY 17th January
ROON	WEDNESDAY 31st January
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 14th February
ZETEN	WEDNESDAY 28th February
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 14th March
BAVERN	WEDNESDAY 28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 25th April
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 23rd May
ROON	WEDNESDAY 6th June
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 20th June
ZETEN	WEDNESDAY 4th July
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY 18th July
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 1st August
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 15th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 29th August

ON WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of DECEMBER, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship
"PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD," Captain H. Kirchhoff, with MAILS, PASSENGERS,
SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port at noon, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till noon, on MONDAY, the 4th December. Cargo
Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 5th December, and Parcel
will be received at the Agency's Office until noon, on TUESDAY, the 5th December.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than 25 lb.
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The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1905.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING
TAMUJI VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"DALIN MARU" } SUNDAY, 3rd Dec., H. ORTA } at 10 A.M.
THE CHARTERED S.S.	LEAVING
TAKAO VIA SWATOW, AMOY AND ANPING	"PROMISE" } WEDNESDAY, 29th THEORESEN } Nov., at 10 A.M.
+ SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW	"TRIUMPH" } THURSDAY, 30th A. HANSEN } Nov., at 10 A.M.

* These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted
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† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office
at No. 3, Des Vaux Road Central.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1905.

T. ARIMA, Manager. (14)

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUS-
TRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT,
MEDITERRANEAN PORTS,
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.
THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR
BAHAMA, PANAMA GULF, CENTRAL,
AMERICAN and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.
The Steamship

"BENGAL."

Captain W. W. Cooke, R.N., carrying His
Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this Port
on SATURDAY, the 2nd December,
at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the
above ports in connection with the Company's
s.s. *Marmora*, 10,500 tons, from Colombo.
Passenger accommodation in which vessel is
secured before departure from Hongkong.
Silk and Vintages, all cargo for France, and
Tea for London (under arrangement) will be
transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;
other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed
from Bombay by the *R.M.S. Arabia*, due in
London on 18th January.

Parcels will be received at this Office until
4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents
and value of packages are required.
For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th November, 1905. (1)

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE

VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR

FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN,
SIMPSONHAFEN, HERBERTSHOEHE,
MATUJI, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

On TUESDAY, the 12th December, at Noon, the
Steamship "WILLEHAD," Captain
Obenauer, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo,
will leave this Port at noon.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and
carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For Further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1905. (2535)

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23rd Nov.—Shanghai 19th Nov., General.
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17th Nov.—Manila 14th Nov., General.
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Nov.—Vancouver 18th Oct. and Shanghai
12th, General.—C. P. R. Co.
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8th Nov.—Kuchinotzu 2nd Nov., Coal—
Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
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Nov.—Shanghai 19th Nov., Poonchow 23rd.
Amoy 24th and Swatow 25th, General.
—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
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29th Nov.—Waha and Chinkiang 16th
Nov., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

On 13th November, at Hankow, the wife of HARRY E. GIBSON, of a son.
On 17th November, at Saito, the wife of E. G. LEAH, of a daughter.
On 18th November, at Shanghai, the wife of FRANK GRAY, of a son.
On 20th November, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. MOORE, a daughter.
On 23rd November, at Shanghai, the wife of ANTHONY STANLEY, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

On 17th November, at St. John's Cathedral, by the Rev. J. H. France, M.A., DONORRY HART, eldest daughter of Dr. G. H. HART, Birmingham, to JAMES D. DANBY, second son of Wm. DANBY Esq., Hongkong.
On 18th November, at Tientsin, JOHN AYLWARD CHURCHILL to EDITH FLORENCE COOPER.
On 23rd November, at Yokohama, HENRY HARRIS READ, of Shanghai, to MABEL AGNES THIRRELL, of Yokohama.

DEATHS.

On 5th October, at Brooklyn, N. Y., WILLIAM MARSHALL, engineer, late of the C. M. S. N. Co., Shanghai.
On 21st November, at Hankow, H. VEHLEBER.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 28TH, 1905.

It is now, of course, an open secret that a serious failure has occurred in the great bridge which carries the Luan Railway to Kaifeng. The story of the line is not an altogether pleasant one; nominally a Belgian undertaking, it was from the beginning perfectly understood to be a Russian political scheme; and its real intention was to facilitate communication from the north with central China, so that when the time came for absorption Russia should find no obstacle in the way of her successful advance to Peking and the rich Yangtse valley. It is true that as time went on, and the great aim of Russia seemed continually further and further from any hope of accomplishment, the construction of the line assumed a more thoroughly commercial aspect, and lately this last has been the guiding principle throughout; the first idea

of a military and strategic line has, however, left its traces in the laying out and building of the line, and the first requirement has been not so much efficiency as economy. Notoriously the Yellow River is a byword for instability; from its wandering and unsettled character it had long ago acquired the appellation of "China's Sorrow," and unstable as is the whole of its lower course (that portion where, after passing the city of Mangtsin, it enters on the plain of Honan), it has ever borne the worst character of all. Even before the days of authentic history the ancient Yu Kung describes this country as a district of swamps and marshes. The surface soil is the finest of sand, so fine as to be almost impalpable—the wear and tear of the loess deposits of Shensi and Kansuh, and the subsoil is almost equally treacherous—so that the task of placing a bridge over the wayward river at any portion of its lower course was one which might have appalled the most experienced of engineers. Exigencies, both political and commercial, called for its construction at this spot, so that the task before the engineer was to carry one of the longest and most important bridges in Asia over a Serbian Bog, without any known or discernible bottom. Unfortunately the method selected was only suitable for a light railway, while already the requirements of the traffic point out that an extremely heavy and bulky goods traffic has to be provided for: not only, in fact, have mistakes been made as to the character of the available foundations, but the requirements of the traffic to be carried on have been entirely misjudged. The method adopted finally has been that of screw-piles, a method unsatisfactory at best, and only practicable where there is the possibility of arriving at a sufficiently permanent and unyielding subsoil, which in this case has certainly not been attained. In this respect the alluvial plains of China have acquired an evil reputation, and like difficulties have been met with and, it is right to add, surmounted on the more northern portions of the line in the province of Pechili. It is true that by almost superhuman efforts a shift was made to pass over the opening train, but our advice goes to show that subsequently traffic over the bridge has had to be suspended. We have no desire to exaggerate the importance of the failure, nor to point a finger of scorn at the labours of those entrusted with the task, at all times an anxious one, of having to carry a line of railway over what is practically a floating bog—the more especially as the conditions required, or seemed to require, the exercise of the utmost economy. Had the inception of the line a clearer record, the question of a starve-all economy would not have entered at all into discussion by its promoters. Even as it is, in the eyes of a particularly suspicious people like the Chinese, the failure is likely to cast a reflection not easily removed on Western engineering in general. The failure, under not altogether dissimilar conditions, of the foundations of the Nile Barrage near Chiro, being carried out by continental engineers, for many years kept back all engineering progress in Egypt; and it was only last year that the magnificent undertaking of the Assouan Dam, and the partial restoration of the Barrage, showed how, under clearer conditions, the industrial resources of the state could at one stroke be almost doubled.

In apportioning the blame it must not, however, be forgotten that China at the time the concession of the line was granted had, with her eyes open, placed herself unreservedly in the hands of Russia, who insisted on the work with all its concomitant understandings being placed in the hands of her nominees, the Belgian Syndicate; who had, moreover, in addition to building the line to Russia's requirements, to do all the financing.

Tientsin has instituted a Debating Society for both ladies and gentlemen.
The plague totals as recorded on Nov. 25 remain at 298 cases and 280 deaths.
Coolies are being recruited in Hupeh and Hunan for railway work in Annam.
The Nanfangpao complains of the brusque way in which foreigners are apt to write of Chinese, even those of high rank, by omitting to give them the plainest of courtesy titles.

Viceroy Chang Chih-tung has nearly completed a volume defending his action in the matter of buying back the Canton-Hankow railway concession by the aid of a British loan.

A Chinese sailor on board the *Schuykill* met his death on Saturday evening by falling from the main mast as the vessel was leaving the harbour. His skull was fractured and he expired in about an hour.

Mr. W. Mackenzie Arthur, a typhoid patient in Shanghai Hospital, cut his throat on Nov. 17, with fatal result. He was about 35 years old. He hailed from Glasgow, and had been staying at the Sailors' Home.

The Japanese steamer, the *America Maru*, of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha line, made her reappearance in the harbour yesterday after a lengthy absence during which she served as an auxiliary cruiser in the war just ended.

A Chinese burglar at Shanghai is beginning a nine months' sentence of imprisonment for an odd theft. He took from the house of the American Consul a lady's fur box, worth \$200, cut it into short lengths, and hawked the pieces round for sale.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Library, and Museum for the week ending the 25th November, 1905:

	Library	Museum
Non-Chinese.....	291	68
Chinese.....	1,4	2,187
Total	395	2,155

The full text of the judgments delivered by the Chief Justice last Friday in the Supreme Court in the action brought by the Russo-Chinese Bank against the Sam Yee Company, Ltd., and in the action at the instance of the Comptroller of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank against a sheriff, appear in our weekly edition published to-day.

It is reported that the British Admiralty want to ascertain the shortest period in which a battleship can be built, in order that they may fix a time limit to which both dockyards and private firms will have to conform when orders for new ships are entrusted to them. This seems to promise for the future some scamped work and some possible naval disasters.

As far as the accounts have been made out present [N.C. Daily News, 20.XI.05] the Bazaar at the Shanghai Town Hall produced the magnificent sum of \$11,000 for the various funds of Union Church, and there are still other returns to come in. It is worth noting that since the Church was erected in 1885, a total amount of about £15,000 has been spent upon it and the adjacent halls. Of this all but about £4,000 has now been raised, which speaks well for the liberality and zeal of the Church and its friends.

A motor river boat, designed for the purpose of navigating the shallow waters of South China, was yesterday launched from the shipbuilding yard of Messrs. Hiley and Co., Kowloon, where it was built to the order of Mr. J. W. Kew. Fitted with a 45 H.P. Gardner Kerosene Motor, the launch will carry 250 passengers with a draught of only two feet. Yesterday she covered the measured mile at a speed of 9 1/2 miles per hour. The launch took place in the presence of a number of visitors, Miss Hill christening the vessel *Tien Kong* as it left the slipway.

Yesterday afternoon at the offices of the Public Works Department, Sai Kung Farm Lot No. 2, in the New Territory, was let by public auction sale. The lease is for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown rent to be fixed for one further term of 75 years, if competent for the Colonial Government so to make it. The annual Crown rental of the lot, which has an area of about 23.50 acres, is \$24. Bidding started at the upset price, \$94, and rose rapidly till the amount of \$2,500 was reached. At this price the Lot was sold to Mr. C. H. Rennie, for the Hongkong Milling Company.

The *Delaware Pilot* of Oct. 21st says:—"Mr. L. Anderson and Mr. E. E. Toeg of Shanghai, China, are the guests of L. W. Minter, Messrs. Anderson and Toeg are visiting the larger cities of the country, and during the past week have been in Washington. On Monday, by special appointment, they were received by President Roosevelt, who assured them that he should do everything in his power to remove the cause for the feeling which has brought about the boycott of American goods by the Chinese. After several months in the United States, Mr. Anderson returns to China via San Francisco. Mr. Toeg will tour La ope and India, reaching Shanghai about six months from this time.

Capt. Grassi of the Italian Navy is at present in Shanghai, in connection with an extensive Chinese Government order for the installation of wireless telegraph. The *N.C. Daily News* says:—"Experiments have been made, to test the value of Chinese assistance, between the Italian cruiser *Morco Polo* and the Chinese cruiser *Hainan* both now lying in the harbour. These have been completely successful. The overland channels at present arranged is to come up a triangle of which Peking, Pootung-fu and Chinwangtao will be the apexes. Capt. Grassi has had previous experience of China, having been responsible for the installation between the Italian Legation at Peking and the Consulate at Tientsin some two years ago. On the dangerous China coast the useful possibilities before wireless telegraphy would seem to have no limit, and we can only hope to see them put into speedy and more general operation.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—
On the 27th at 11.20 a.m. The barometer has risen over China and W. Japan.
Pressure is highest over central China, and lowest over the S. part of the China S.
Gradients are slight generally. Fresh to moderate monsoon will continue to prevail in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.
Forecast:—Fresh to moderate E. winds; fair.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.

ENGLISH HURRICANES.

LONDON, 27th November.

A fierce hurricane raged over England on Saturday and Sunday nights and did considerable damage.

LIBERAL LEADERS AT VARIANCE.

LONDON, 27th November.

Lord Rosebery refuses to associate himself with Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman because he does not consider Home Rule for Ireland feasible.

ANARCHY IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, 27th November.

The mutinous sailors, dockers, and soldiers are in possession of Sebastopol. The warships have also joined the rebels, and the army is doubtful. An Admiral has been wounded.

Anarchy is rampant throughout Russia.

[N.C. Daily News Service.]

RUSSIAN MUTINEERS IN NAGASAKI

Tokyo, 19th November.

A mutiny took place in Nagasaki to-day among the Russian ex-prisoners on board the transport *Vladimir Voronov* and *Yaroslav*. Admiral Wirren tried in vain to pacify the mutineers, who have revolted because they are not allowed to return to Vladivostok, with which they have been in communication.

Tokyo, 20th November.

Four Japanese destroyers are guarding the Russian transports at Nagasaki, and Japanese police are stationed on board the transports.

Admiral Rozhdestvensky, who is on one of the transports, is at the moment being guarded by the Japanese police.

At the request of Admiral Rozhdestvensky, the Japanese police have been withdrawn from the Russian transports.

General Daniloff, the Russian Repatriation Commissioner, arrived at Nagasaki to-day and had an interview with Admiral Rozhdestvensky; the transportation of the prisoners will probably be postponed.

THE MANCHURIA NEGOTIATIONS.

Peking, 18th November.

At the meeting of the Japanese and Chinese plenipotentiaries on the 17th instant, at the opening of business, the Japanese plenipotentiaries handed in their draft proposals regarding Manchuria, and the Chinese replied that they would submit their counter-proposals in writing, and the meeting ended.

The date of the second meeting will be decided upon the receipt of the Chinese counter-proposals. The Chinese Government has represented to the Russian Minister at Peking that it is desirable that Russia should appoint plenipotentiaries, in the same way that Japan has done, to discuss the Manchurian question.

The reply of the Russian Minister was that if any negotiations with China are necessary, they must be conducted through the plenipotentiaries, and the plenipotentiaries must be appointed by the plenipotentiaries.

After the first meeting with the Japanese plenipotentiaries, the Chinese plenipotentiaries and the Grand Councilors met at the Grand Council to consider the Japanese proposals.

Peking, 20th November.
The Japanese proposal contains twelve articles, the demands including China's recognition of the transfer to Japan of the lease of the Liaoting Peninsula, the ownership of the Chinese Eastern Railway, the right to build a railway between Changchun and Kirin, and the establishment of the railway guards.

China is to consent to the establishment by Japan of military telegraphs and military posts in Manchuria to an extent to be settled.

Japan is to have the concession to build railway lines between Haimintun and Mukden, and between Mukden and Wiji; and to open towns and cities in northern and southern Manchuria.

Japan has a prior right to concessions of mines and forests.

There are other additional conditions.

No answer has yet been returned by the Chinese to the Japanese proposals.

Peking, 22nd November.
The Chinese attitude towards the Japanese proposals is very favourable, and it is expected that the negotiations will be concluded earlier than was hoped for.

The Chinese Government proposed to pay Japan a sum of twenty million taels; but Japan declines to receive the sum, and will make it a present to China.

Baron Komura has been paying calls on a number of the principal Princes of the first, third, and fourth Orders (Tsingwang, Peisze, and Peileh) in Peking.

The Chinese plenipotentiaries, after having considered among themselves the Japanese proposals, sent their answer to the Japanese plenipotentiaries on the 21st instant.

The second meeting of the two sets of plenipotentiaries was to be held at 3 p.m. on the 23rd instant.

A NEW LIGHT ON THE TIBET QUESTION.

Peking, 19th November.

Great Britain having recognised that Tibet is a portion of the territory of China, the latter Power has agreed to pay Great Britain several millions (towards the expense of her recent expedition, as indemnity, and the first instalment thereof, amounting to £1,300,000, will be paid within the present month.

JAPAN'S RELATIONS WITH COREA.

Tokyo, 18th November.

As a result of the frequent and prolonged conferences between the Ministers of the Emperor of Corea and Marquis Ito, Mr. Hayashi, and General Hasegawa, and the negotiations concerning the new status of Corea, it was finally decided at 2 a.m. on Saturday, when Marquis Ito retired to the palace, that Corea consents that Japan shall have supreme control at Seoul, and that the finances of the empire, the open ports, and the foreign affairs shall be entirely under Japanese management.

Tokyo, 19th November.

Marquis Ito has been congratulated by the diplomats at Seoul on his success.

Has, the Korean Minister who was exiled on account of his refusal to sign the new agreement, was subsequently pardoned through Marquis Ito's influence.

The agreement between Japan and Corea comprises five articles. Japan assumes the diplomacy of Corea. The Japanese Ministers and Consuls abroad represent Corea's interests. Japan takes the responsibilities of the existing treaties between Corea and other countries. The Japanese representative at Seoul is to conduct Corea's diplomacy.

The British and other Ministers at Seoul have given assurances of their welcome of the new agreement on its publication.

The Emperor of Corea has issued an edict, expressing his satisfaction with the protectorate assumed by Japan.

The Korean Foreign Office has been abolished. The Japanese Governor Resident is established at what was formerly the Legation.

The following account is from an Englishman who left Vladivostok on the 13th, and arrived here on the 15th instant:—
"On the morning of the 12th inst. the troops mutinied on a grand scale, and slaughtered some four hundred of their officers, including General Pustiloff. They dragged heavy guns into the city proper, and fired them in all directions on everything indiscriminately, working great havoc, and nearly all the buildings inside the city were burned and destroyed. Admiral Essen with his family took refuge on board the German steamer *Arctica*, and is fleeing to Moji.

"The news of this appalling tragedy is to be the signal for the troops of permission to return to their European homes. The sailors also took part in the general mutiny, and the men-of-war all left their anchorages and steamed out of the harbour."

The following is the report brought by the Russian hospital ship *Marinka*, which arrived at Nagasaki from Vladivostok on the 17th inst.:—
"Throughout the 12th and 13th inst. Vladivostok was all ablaze day and night, and half of the ill-fated city has been swept away by the flames, and reduced to utter ruin. This awful tragedy seems to have been initiated and carried out by the dissatisfied troops and labourers in their excitement and at the instigation of the revolutionary party."

"The German colony telegraphed to the authorities at Tientsin to dispatch German men-of-war in haste. The women and children took refuge on board the merchant vessels in harbour."

A Chinese who arrived at Nagasaki from Vladivostok on the 17th inst. says:—
"Troops belonging to Harbin came into the city of Vladivostok, and let themselves loose on everything they came in contact with, breaking into shops and the Custom-house, and the most terrible looting was the result of the attempt of the authorities to repress them."

The Chinese Commercial Agent at Vladivostok has telegraphed to the Waiwatu that the damage suffered by the Chinese in the recent outbreak amounts to ten million taels, which sum must be claimed from Russia. The Waiwatu has opened negotiations on these claims with the Russian Minister at Peking.

A PRETTY WEDDING.

DANBY—HART.

Yesterday the wedding of Mr. James Denison Danby, second son of Mr. William Danby, C.B., of Hongkong, to Miss Dorothy Marguerite Hart, eldest daughter of Dr. Hart, of Birmingham, recently arrived from Home, took place at St. John's Cathedral which was decorated for the occasion.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. H. W. Robertson, was attired in a dress of white net over chiffon silk, with lace insertion. Her hat was trimmed with a white feather and roses. She also wore a sprig of hesther, an enamelled and pearl pendant, and a pearl spray brooch and carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums and tuberoses. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. J. H. France, and after attending the reception held at Mr. W. Danby's residence, Mr. and Mrs. Danby left for Musso, where the honeymoon is being spent.

THE FLOOD OF COPPER CURRENCY.

The Viceroy of Liangning, H. E. Chow Fu, is in receipt of instructions from the Board of Revenue, relative to the limiting the daily output of ten-cash copper pieces from the several provincial mints. According to the new rules, Liangning province is allowed to turn out each day not over 1,000,000 of such coins, which would place the Viceroy in an embarrassing position. It seems that the indebtedness amounts to £15,400,000; at the same time, the Council of Army Organisation has allotted to the Liangning province the sum of £15,800,000, to be raised annually, as its share of the expenses in organising the new Army of China. The various measures being introduced in connection with the scheme of reform, too, consume enormous sums of money. All these items are a fearful drain on the provincial treasury, which is, however, at present replenished by the profits derived from the copper cash mint. In case, therefore, the output be limited to 1,000,000 pieces per diem, the profits would be greatly reduced, rendering the meeting of the provincial expenditures a matter of grave difficulty. The Viceroy, therefore, proposes to protest against the new Board rule, and should his protest be of no avail, he will have to arrange to evade in some way the rule in question—*Nanfongtao*.

The mysterious affair which we reported yesterday—the finding of the body of an Indian in a box floating in the harbour near Laichik—has now assumed a different aspect. Post play is suspected, with good reason, as there is a previously overlooked bullet wound in the forehead. Four Indians are in custody. They will be brought before the magistrate to-day. Robbery is believed to have been the motive for the crime.

THE STARTLING FIND IN THE HARBOUR.

MURDER SUSPECTED.

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DEPARTURE OF THE INTERNED RUSSIAN SAILORS.

The interned Russian sailors who are encamped at Kowloon are about to take their departure. They will leave here on Friday by the Russian cruiser *Almas* which arrived in the port on Saturday from Vladivostok. This vessel, commanded by Captain Ougromoff, was a unit of the Baltic Fleet and succeeded in passing scathless through the Japanese lines to the northern port. The officers and men interned at Kowloon number 83, and are in charge of Mr. Skrydloff. The *Almas* proceeds to Saigon.

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The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Ajao* left Singapore on the 25th inst. at 5 p.m., and is due here on the 1st Dec.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Heinrich*, which left here on Thursday at 4 p.m., arrived at Shanghai on Sunday at 10 a.m.

The I.G.M. str. *Sachsen*, which left here on Wednesday at noon, arrived at Singapore on Sunday at 4 p.m.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

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HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

With the end of the month so near at hand and the dollar standing at 2 1/4, the "topic of the hour" is the salary question. When exchange went down to below 1 1/2 the wailing of the men who are paid on the silver basis was loud in the land; while the contentment of those paid on a sterling basis was the smile of prosperity and content. Now the lamentations are heard in the other camp. This rise in the dollar makes a lump of a difference in some men's salaries. Stories are going the rounds of certain Government officials who in the last twelve months have earned increments in their salaries, and now find that they are getting about \$100 less a month than they were receiving before they obtained what I suppose must be called an "increment." A big rise in exchange, therefore, hits the sterling man harder than the fall hits the silver man, for his expenses are mainly in silver unless he resides in one of the hotels whose rates are fixed in sterling.

Since the remainder of these jottings passed into the hands of the composers, I have learnt something that affects the accuracy of the concluding remark of the preceding note. The Hongkong Hotel Company have reverted to a silver basis in their charges to monthly residents and have intimated their intention to continue charging in dollars until exchange drops again to 2/- when the accounts will again be stated in pounds sterling. Thus even the men paid in sterling and living in the hotel are not unaffected by the rise in exchange. A married couple who have been paying £20 a month, and have now to pay (on a 2/- basis) \$200, will be paying about \$9 more than would have been the case at the present rate of exchange had the sterling charges remained unaltered. The Hotel Company converted their rates three years ago at an exchange of 1/8. Since May, 1903, exchange has not dropped below that figure. The approximate average exchange value of the dollar in 1900 was 2s. 0 1/2; 1901, 1s. 11 1/2; 1902, 1s. 8 1/2; 1903, 1s. 8 1/2; and 1904, 1s. 10d.

People are now, of course, complaining that the cost of the necessities of life in the Colony is practically the same as when the exchange value of the dollar was at 1/8. It is all very well for the consumer to demand reductions, but in comparatively few cases is it possible for tradesmen to appreciably reduce their charges. It can, of course, be done on goods imported directly from gold-mining countries, but tradesmen cannot afford to sell a tea-shilling article now at the same figure they were able to sell it at when the exchange value of the dollar last stood at 2/-. In the interval the dollar has been down to 1/4; rents have gone up enormously in the Colony, and consequently salaries have had to go up to enable men to pay these increased rents. If the reader will ponder over the matter he will realize that a general increase in rents must inevitably lead to higher salaries, and to pay these higher salaries prices generally have had to be increased. The whole question of "the cost of living" in Hongkong revolves around the question of rents—the rents, bar in mind not only of the resident European population, but the entire Chinese community as well. Building operations in the Colony have not kept pace with the steady growth in population. The Building Ordinance of 1903 has probably checked investment in Chinese house property, for the Ordinance has entailed heavy expenses on owners of such property. These expenses are, of course, recovered from tenants in the form of higher rentals, and the result is that the wages of labourers and artisans have appreciably increased. It would, indeed, be very instructive if the Government were to compile, as the Japanese Government does, a tabular showing the average wage of artisans and labourers every year. In the last edition of the Japanese "Resumé Statistique" it is shown that wages increased from 60 to 100 per cent from 1895 to 1901. And during the last ten years the increase has been in about the same proportion. I should think, in Hongkong. There can never be any stability about prices in Hongkong until we get a fixed exchange.

There is food for reflection in the announcement made by the Chairman of the Dairy Farm Co. last week that if the community do not support the frozen food branch of the Company's business, better than they have done heretofore, Hongkong will lose what the directors of the company rightly enough regard as a very important branch of the company's business. The company is certainly entitled to take credit for checking the rise in the price of butchers' meat in the colony last year, and the community would probably soon find cause to rue it if the foreign food supply business were discontinued. If it were possible to sell Australian meat in Hongkong at the same rates as local butchers' meat, I imagine there would be no reason to complain of lack of support, but the Chairman was doubtless correct when he intimated that many, perhaps, did not realize that "there is really not the difference between the company's rates and those ruling for Chinese meat as would at first sight appear." The trouble is that this is not generally recognized. The Chairman said that besides getting 25 per cent more nutriment by purchasing Australian meat, customers could be sure of obtaining full weight at the company's depot. They do not always get it in the market.

The writer of the letter which appeared in the Daily Press one day last week lamenting that there is no Society of Amateur Photographers in Hongkong, when, as Long, Hing & Co's competition shows, there is no lack of interest in photography in the colony, is

evidently a comparatively new comer. Attempts have been made to form a society of the kind in the colony. Only two years ago what at the start looked a promising attempt was made, but it came to nothing. There is, however, one little society of the kind in the colony, but it is confined to men in the service of Messrs. Entersfield and Swire. Some of the best work in the exhibition was done by members of this little society. By-the-way, I wonder whether the judges noticed that the picture which they awarded the first prize has the defect which results from the camera being moved during the exposure? And, vide the third prize, is it true that in Hongkong Harbour the sun sets in the East?

Hongkong is to have a Pantomime this Christmas at the theatre. The Zorilla Musical Comedy Company, I understand, have booked the theatre for Christmas week and intend putting on a pantomime. This will be a novelty in Hongkong, and will doubtless prove a great attraction.

BANYAN.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

25th November.
THE CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY DIRECTORATE.

Taotai Wong Tang Ting, of the Canton-Hankow railway directorate, has resigned his post and is returning to Shanghai. His successor has not yet been appointed.

A CHINESE "BRITISH" FILM.

A man named Fung recently started a company in Ping-chow (Nanhai district) called the Yee Wo On and hung up a signboard showing that the concern was "British." The last Nanhai magistrate, Woo Ming Poon, closed the company's offices under the plea that Fung could not carry on business in the interior under a foreign signboard. On the other hand a complaint had been lodged with the Nanhai against Fung for infringing the trade-mark ordinances by using an imitation of the trademark (flower-basket) belonging to a Japanese firm. The complaint was sent to the Nanhai by the Japanese Consul in Hongkong, who requested that an investigation should be made into the matter. Fung petitioned the Chamber of Commerce pointing out that the trade-mark in question was used by him before same was registered by the Japanese. The Viceroy says Fung might be right to use the trade-mark, but he had no business to use a foreign kung name.

BOYCOTT PICTURES CONDEMNED.

Viceroy Shun having received a despatch from the American Consul General asking him to suppress a boycott newspaper, which is published here three times a month, instructed the Poon-Ya to deal with it. The Poon-Ya wrote to the Boycott committee ordering them to stop publication. The Boycott committee replied that the paper is not edited under their auspices. The paper referred to is probably the *She-sho-Hua-pao* (illustrated magazine) which recently gave pictures of the drowning of a Chinese comprador who was thrown over the Sumner bridge by American sailors. It has also had boycott cartoons.

CHINESE TIDE WAITERS.

Two Chinese tide waiters, named Chu and Ng, belonging to the Custom's staff at Swatow, have been denounced by a merchant and are accused of having accepted bribes from smugglers. Both men have been arrested and will be sent to Canton for trial.

LAND OWNER'S DEEDS.

In order to prevent complications arising in the matter of land purchases made by foreigners (merchants or missionaries), the Viceroy of Liang-Kiang and Viceroy Shun have mutually agreed that in future purchasers applying to be registered as owners shall produce the red deeds (original deeds already stamped) which they receive from the seller, together with the white deeds (deeds of sale). Viceroy Shun has instructed different magistrates under his jurisdiction and the Bureau of Foreign Affairs to place this new regulation on record.

HARBOUR POLICE.

The Sin-han-kuk have agreed to advance taels 1,000,000 towards the expenses for policing the harbour. This sum will be repaid from the receipts of the new tax which will be imposed. Commodore Wong Pui-Chung has been appointed to look after this department.

BOYCOTT DEPUTATION TO HONGKONG.

On the 23rd inst. the Boycott committee held a meeting to decide how to answer the letter from the American merchants at the last Conference. The committee have decided to send Au Tat Po, Ho-sim-Chun, Wong-Fui Man and Ho Chap Man to Hongkong to consult with leading merchants there and to take advice from a solicitor. Telegrams will be sent to the Shanghai committee and to friends in America on the matter and then a reply will be drafted and sent to the American merchants. The party left for Hongkong yesterday morning and are expected to return here on Monday.

RAILWAY PROFITS IN CHINA.

The Tientsin-Shanhaiwan Railway has been very profitable. Last year, after paying off the interest on the British bonds and redeeming those, the numbers of which came out in the annual drawing, and after defraying the running expenses, and appropriating a large sum as a loan for the construction of the Peking-Kalgan Railway, there was left a net profit of over Tls. 1,200,000. It is reported that out of this sum, Tls. 800,000 will be presented to their Majesties to replenish the Privy Purse; Tls. 200,000 will be set apart for the Peking administration; H.B. Hu Ya-fan, Administrator of Northern Railway will receive Tls. 100,000; and the remaining half or so will be divided as a bonus among the employees, in proportion to their monthly salaries.—*Nanfangpao*.

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 27th November.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUISNE JUDGE).

CLAIM FOR FOOD AND CLOTHING.

Goggor Singh sued Sowan Singh to recover the sum of \$30, being as to \$24 price of clothing supplied.

Mr. O. D. Thomson represented the plaintiff, and Mr. F. X. d'Almada a Castro appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Thomson stated that the plaintiff and defendant came from the same village in India. The defendant arrived in the Colony about nine months ago when he saw the plaintiff and asked if he would get him work. The plaintiff said he would try to do so, and in the meantime he supplied him with food and bought him a coat. Defendant recently got employment in Fenwick's as watchman, but had since refused to repay the amount due. On Saturday night the defendant visited one of the plaintiff's witnesses, and offered him a bribe of \$10 not to give evidence in this case; he further threatened that if he did he would punish him in some way.

Mr. d'Almada said the defence was a complete denial. Ever since the defendant's arrival in the Colony he had lived with two of his countrymen, but never with the plaintiff.

His Lordship, after hearing the evidence, gave judgment for the defendant with costs.

POLICE COURT.

Monday, 27th November.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A DESERTER.

William Harkness, seaman on board the *Argyll*, was charged with deserting from that ship.

The officer stated that the defendant went ashore without leave. The vessel sailed at 2 o'clock yesterday but returned later in the day for Harkness.

Defendant said he went ashore to buy a loaf but was unable to return to the ship in time because he had no money to pay for tram fare.

His Worship:—Can't you put forward a better excuse than that? It doesn't require seven hours to buy a piece of bread.

The captain said he was willing to take Harkness back. Defendant would, however, have forfeited all the wages due to him, £26.

His Worship, in these circumstances decided not to convict defendant of being a deserter but to treat him as having been absent without leave. As a matter of fact he had simply gone ashore and got drunk.

The officer agreed, remarking that this was not the first occasion on which defendant had gone ashore without leave.

Defendant was committed to prison for seven days and ordered to forfeit eight days' pay.

A LAME EXCUSE.

A native was charged with stealing two pieces of silk. He said his friend had given him the silk to take to a certain man but he failed to find him, and then his friend ran away. Fined \$7 or 14 days' imprisonment.

AN IMPUDENT THEFT.

Lau Shik was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour for stealing a water tap from the bathroom of an empty house, 33 Robinson Road, yesterday. He was seen to leave the house by an Indian watchman who accused him. Defendant said he went in to look for a friend. Becoming apprehensive he threw away the tap and ran off but was arrested.

GAMBLERS.

Inspector Goudley presented 36 natives for gambling. Serjt. Marison entered a house at Queen's Road West and arrested all the defendants. The three first, charged as masters, were each fined \$100 and the others \$5.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (ACTING SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A PROMPT POLICEMAN.

A richa coolie named Mok Tam Yak was charged with attempting, along with four others not in custody, to rob a European. It was stated for the prosecution that the European, who was drunk, engaged a richa at the Western Hotel. He was taken along Connaught Road and at a dark spot near the Canton Wharf the coolie dropped the richa and with four others surrounded the drunken man and began to search him. The arrival of a policeman caused them to take to their heels but defendant was arrested. His Worship held there was insufficient evidence and acquitted him.

AN EFFECTIVE ARGUMENT.

A native who appeared with his face all bandaged up charged a fellow workman at the Naval Yard with assault. Apparently they had quarrelled, and defendant struck complainant on the face with a hatchet several times. A fine of \$5 or ten days' with \$1 compensation was imposed.

AN EFFECT OF HIGH EXCHANGE.

In consequence of the prevailing high rate of exchange, the Hongkong Hotel has given notice to its permanent residents that from January 1st they will be charged on the basis of a two shilling dollar, unless and until exchange falls below that rate.

The notice says: "When rates for monthly residents were changed into sterling some three years ago, the rate of conversion was taken at 1s. 8d. The recent rise in exchange (without a corresponding fall in the cost of wages, 'wallowing,' and other expenses) is causing the Hotel Company a serious loss."

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

Club Races, Sunday, Nov. 26.

CHAMPIONSHIP.

A fine easterly breeze, which eventually veered to the S.E., no sea, and a brilliant sun, made this an almost perfect day for racing. All the boats in this class ignored the starting line as defined by the lamp posts, and took the mark boat as the proper place to start from. *Elaph* did not seem to be going at all well, especially in the heat to the Channel Rocks, when she was almost overhauled by *Kathleen*. She appeared to be sailed too fine. Time:—

	H. M. S.
<i>Dione</i>	1 11 43
<i>Vernon</i>	1 15 23
<i>Elaph</i>	1 18 12

ONE DESIGN.

In this race all four boats were over the proper line before gunfire, although well behind the mark boat. *Kathleen* got much the best of the start, while *Min*, who seemed to have conscientious scruples about the proper place to start from, got left. *Kathleen* rounded the Channel Rocks about a minute and a half ahead of *Colleen*, with *Min* and *Bonito* close up. At the Quarry Bay mark boat, she was very nearly two minutes ahead, but with the bad luck that seems to be dogging her at present, she must have caught something on her rudder, and was rapidly passed by both *Colleen* and *Min*, and only rounded the East Rock buoy just in front of *Bonito*. The wind shifting a bit to the south, it was now a close-hauled race to the Channel Rocks, which *Min* and *Colleen* rounded close together. *Kathleen* three minutes behind, and *Bonito* just behind her. On the reach across, not much difference took place, except that *Bonito* went slightly ahead of *Kathleen*, the order of rounding the Mark boat being *Min*, *Colleen*, *Bonito* and *Kathleen*. Owing to there being so little windward work, only two and a half minutes separated the first and last boat. Time:—

	H. M. S.
<i>Min</i>	1 27 47
<i>Colleen</i>	1 28 30
<i>Kathleen</i>	1 29 55
<i>Bonito</i>	1 30 08

HANDICAP CLASS.

In this class a new boat made her appearance—one of the skimming dish variety, with centre board—but did not do much good, and did not wait for her gun at the finish.

	H. M. S.	H. M. S.
<i>Alannah</i>	1 36 38	1 36 38 (2)
<i>Chastice</i>	1 38 35	1 39 10 (1)
<i>Gloria</i>	1 42 38	1 42 56 (3)
<i>Daisy</i>		

VOLUNTEER RIFLE CLUB.

Fifteen members took part in the Competition for the Rifle Association Trophy and Handicap Cup on Saturday afternoon. The Trophy was won by Lt. Hayton and the Handicap Cup by Gunner Coles of Left Half No. 1 Company. The 600 yards range was fired at with a fading light and in the rain, making shooting at this distance very difficult. This accounts for the poor scoring of many of the good shots.

Following are the scores:—

Name	200	500	600	Handicap	Total
* Lt. Hayton	29	33	26	Ser. 88	
* Gunner Coles	24	32	24	18	88
* Sergt. Andrews	30	33	22	Ser. 85	
* Gunner Sorby	30	29	21	5	85
Sergt. Grey	26	32	24	Ser. 82	
Bomb. Watson	29	23	23	81	
Lt. Gunner Rogers	29	28	24	81	
Lt. Northcote	32	27	20	78	
Gunner Marshall	32	26	16	Ser. 71	
Bomb. Res	26	20	16	9	71
Bomb. Blood	21	14	23	12	70
Sergt. Terrill	30	25	14	Ser. 69	
Gunner Fellow	30	25	8	4	67
Gunner Wright	17	26	18	6	67

* Winners of spoons.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

The principal scores in the "Pool" competition on Saturday were as follows:—

	54	16	= 70
P. L. Miller	54	16	= 70
Dr. E. Ryan Jones	53	17	= 70
J. A. Lyon	53	17	= 70
W. T. Hoskin	47	23	= 70
J. C. Peter	61	6	= 67
A. J. Williams	47	20	= 67
J. J. Stabbings	44	23	= 67
A. C. Brown	68	8	= 66
W. C. Winterburn	50	16	= 66
W. L. Carter	57	8	= 65
J. H. Pidgeon	62	2	= 64
T. Abley	54	10	= 64
E. W. Torrey	50	14	= 64
J. Whitall	61	2	= 63
F. Fisher	57	4	= 61
W. H. A. Moore	38	21	= 59
W. T. Edwards	44	14	= 58
J. S. Lewington	48	14	= 58
T. R. Gethraue	33	24	= 57
A. Jenkins	53	8	= 53
J. Hutchings	29	24	= 53

AMERICAN PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO CONGRESS.

An epitome of the President's regular message to Congress, which will be delivered to that body upon the convocation of the Senate and House of Representatives on December 6, has been secured by the Press and was to-day published.

In the message President Roosevelt dwells with emphasis upon four points calling for legislation or executive action. These are:—

- 1.—Greater federal control of railroad rate-making.
 - 2.—Federal supervision of insurance companies.
 - 3.—Further restriction by the federal government of the great trusts and regulation of trust methods of business.
 - 4.—A revision of the Chinese exclusion laws and a firm demand upon China for the immediate suspension of the boycott.
- Besides these cardinal points of national policy touched upon by the President, the attention of Congress is also called to the necessity of a revision of existing tariff schedules to the necessity of establishing free trade between the Philippines and the United States, and to the need of a navy large enough to insure the position of America as a world power.

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BOOTS AND SHOES FROM WELL-KNOWN AMERICAN MAKERS AT REDUCED PRICES.

THE BURLINGTON.

2, PEDDER STREET, OPPOSITE THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1905.

JAPAN AND MANCHURIA.

The proposal, handed in by Baron Komura at the first conference with the Chinese plenipotentiaries on the 21st inst., is said to comprise seventeen articles as follows:—

- (1) China's recognition of the transfer to Japan of the lease of Liaotung Peninsula.
- (2) The ownership by Japan of the Chinese Eastern Railway.
- (3) The establishment of Japanese railway guards.
- (4) The establishment of Japanese post offices and telegraphs.
- (5) Japan is to be allowed 18 months within which to evacuate Manchuria.
- (6) The establishment by Japan of Consulates and military posts in Newchwang, Fengtien, Astung, Kirin, and Changchou.
- (7) Japan is to have the privilege of establishing banks in Newchwang, Fengtien, and Kirin, the same to be permitted to open branches in whatever place where trade is prosperous.
- (8) The Commissioner of Customs at Newchwang is to be a Japanese.
- (9) The opening of Manchuria and the extension of its trade in general.
- (10) The concession to extend the Chinese Eastern Railway.
- (11) The right of exploiting mines.
- (12) The control of the salt industry.
- (13) The monopoly of the timber industry on the right bank of the Yalu River.
- (14) Right of residence by Japanese in any part of Manchuria.
- (15) Japan is to be first consulted in the granting of concessions to foreigners.
- (16) The term of this treaty is to be 10 years.
- (17) Newchwang to be regarded as an open port.

THE ISSUE OF STANDARD SILVER CURRENCY.

Following is an Imperial Decree of Nov. 19, translated for the *N. C. Daily News*—We have a memorial from the Commissioners on Finance concerning the proposed issue of a standard silver currency of uniform weights, fineness and touch, and also a copy of the proposed rules and regulations for the guidance of the Mints in the provinces. The memorialists further state that the silver dollars and subsidiary coins struck in the provincial mints were turned out to meet certain financial contingencies affecting said provinces at the time and therefore such silver money cannot be taken as standard legal tender. The memorialists now recommend the minting of a standard silver coinage of three denominations, such as one-tael pieces, half-tael, or five-mace pieces, two-mace and one-mace pieces, of the Government legal "K'uping" (Treasure) or Board of Revenue standard weight and fineness. The memorialists continue the memorialists, can be used in conjunction with the silver coins and copper cash formerly minted in the provinces, and now in circulation throughout the country. As the questions of financial reform and a standard currency is one of the most important before us, we hereby commend the Board of Revenue to take the rules and regulations which have been presented to us for approval and issue instructions without delay to the Chihli, Kiangsu, Hupoh, and Kuangtung provincial mints to coin silver currency at once in accordance therewith. This new silver currency shall in the future be accepted and used as legal tender in all transactions, government as well as private. Whatever other matters that may be required to be dealt with that have not been touched upon by the memorialists are to be reported to us for approval by the said Board as occasion requires.

PORT SUDAN.

The unsatisfactory port of Suakin will be superseded this month [October] says the *Morning Post*, by a brand-new rival on the Red Sea which has been built up out of coral rock and desert sand by the Egyptian authorities within the short space of nine months. This rival is Port Sudan, the latest addition to the cities of the Empire, and is destined to be a place of magnitude and importance in the days when cotton shall have made it the New Orleans of the East. The place has hitherto been called Mersa Shikh Barad.

It is more than likely that Port Sudan, as it will now be known, will be officially opened by the Khedive and Lord Cromer early in November. It is about 680 miles south of Suaz, and is capable of holding a dozen vessels of moderate size. The entrance is six hundred feet across, and the land around is six feet above sea level, quite a considerable elevation for that flat-landed, and forms an admirable base for wharves. Port Sudan is sure to be in the very near future a coaling station of considerable importance, and one now greatly needed, for at present there is none between Perim and Suaz, a distance of 1,300 miles.

Viceroy and Governors are to be further invested with the title of Administrator of Mines which, says the *Nanfangpao*, will place them in full control of the mineral wealth in their jurisdiction and "make them responsible for the preservation of China's gold and silver and other mines from the hands of any and all outsiders."

BABY GIRL'S
AWFUL HUMOUR

Would Scab Over, Break Open, and Be Raw—Intense Suffering for Two Years—Doctors and Medicines Failed to Help Her.

CURED BY CUTICURA
WHEN ALL ELSE FAILED

Writing under date of August 15, 1904, Mrs. L. C. Walker, of 5 Tremont Street, Woodford, Me., says: "My sister had a terrible humour on her shoulder when she was eighteen months old, causing intense suffering for two years. We had several doctors, and tried everything, but in spite of all we did it kept spreading. One day it would scab over, and then crack open and a watery matter oozed from it and the scabs would all fall off. It would be raw for a time, then scab over again. Some one recommended Cuticura, and we immediately procured a box of Cuticura Ointment, and a cake of Cuticura Soap. She was much better after the first bath with warm water and soap, and an application of the Ointment. Before it was half gone we saw a marked change for the better, and she was entirely cured, without a scar being left, by the use of Cuticura Ointment and one cake of Soap. Her skin is now entirely clear, and she has not had a sign of trouble since."

100,000 MOTHERS

Daily Tell Other Mothers

That Cuticura Soap is the best baby soap in the world for cleansing and purifying the skin, and that Cuticura Ointment is of priceless value for soothing and healing torturing, disfiguring eruptions, itching, and chafings. A single application of Cuticura Ointment, preceded by a warm bath with Cuticura Soap, gives instant relief, and refreshing sleep for skin-tortured babies, and rest for tired, fretted mothers. Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills are sold throughout the world. London, 27, Abchurch Lane; New York, 15, N. 2nd St.; San Francisco, 10, S. 2nd St.; Melbourne, 10, S. 2nd St.; Hongkong, 10, S. 2nd St.; Shanghai, 10, S. 2nd St.; Canton, 10, S. 2nd St.; Peking, 10, S. 2nd St.; Tientsin, 10, S. 2nd St.; Hankow, 10, S. 2nd St.; Harbin, 10, S. 2nd St.; Manchuria, 10, S. 2nd St.; Korea, 10, S. 2nd St.; Japan, 10, S. 2nd St.; Formosa, 10, S. 2nd St.; Philippines, 10, S. 2nd St.; Hawaii, 10, S. 2nd St.; Alaska, 10, S. 2nd St.; Canada, 10, S. 2nd St.; United States, 10, S. 2nd St.; Europe, 10, S. 2nd St.; Asia, 10, S. 2nd St.; Africa, 10, S. 2nd St.; Australia, 10, S. 2nd St.; New Zealand, 10, S. 2nd St.; South America, 10, S. 2nd St.; Central America, 10, S. 2nd St.; Caribbean Sea, 10, S. 2nd St.; Mexico

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

POSITION VACANT in the Office of the HONGKONG PIANO CO., Ltd., for a European Clerk.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2672]

THE HONGKONG CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE POSITION OF SECRETARY to the Company will become vacant in April next. Applications for the Appointment (in writing only) are to be addressed to the undersigned.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
T. AKNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2574]

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING OF ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FRIEDMANS' HALL, on FRIDAY, the 1st DECEMBER, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2673]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersecretary have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 30th November, 1905, at 11 A.M. at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Lee Hom Street,

A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, HANDSOME SIDEBOARD, BRASS BEDSTEAD, DRAWING ROOM SUITE, &c., &c., &c.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2675]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FORSWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAI TAN,"
Captain J. S. Reed, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 30th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPELLE & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 28th November, 1905. [2676]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"TRIESTE,"
having arrived. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that cargo will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent to the Office of the undersigned before Noon on the 4th December or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 4th December will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1905. [3]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS AND CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

is now ready and contains:—

Epitome of the Week's News.

Leading Articles:—

Japan's Rice Supply.

A Case of Collective Attraction.

The Reform of Imports to Exports.

European Politics.

A Serious Business Inconvenience.

China's New Copper Currency.

China's Proposed Constitution.

A Decree Regarding the Opinions of Manchu.

Hongkong Joitings.

Companies:—

The Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.

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The Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

The China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.

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Canton.

Macao.

Correspondence:

A Hongkong School.

An Injustice to China.

The Lanchow Massacre.

American Verdict on Missionaries.

A Territorial Dispute.

Counterfeited Charos.

Fatal Tramway Accident.

Earthquakes at Macao.

Supreme Court.

Duty.

The H.K. Children's League.

Public Opinion in Infant China.

The Restoration of China.

Quarry By Blasting Fatality.

Annual Licensing Sessions.

Fire in Des Voeux Road.

\$10,000 Stolen.

A Disastrous Occurrence.

Interesting Chinese News Items.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Sale of the Gunboat "Tweed."

Miscellaneous.

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1905.

INTIMATIONS

WANTED.

GENTLEMAN WANTS BOARD and LODGING with a private family. Central locality preferred. Also desires to rent a suitable Flat or Furnished Bedroom. Apply to—**H. B.,**
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1905. [2686]

SITUATION WANTED.

BY a CHINESE CLERK who has a long experience as GENERAL OFFICE ASSISTANT and BOOKKEEPER. Shipping or Brokers' Office preferred. Apply to—**F. C.,**
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 25th November, 1905. [2657]

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

BY a Young Englishman with five years' experience in a mercantile firm and with a good knowledge of SHORTHAND and TYPEWRITING. Apply to—**M. Q. C.,**
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 25th November, 1905. [2571]

LICENSING SESSIONS.

TAKE NOTICE that the ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING of His Majesty's Police Magistrate and Justices of the Peace for this Colony will be held at the Magistracy on THURSDAY, the 30th day of November, 1905, at 2 P.M., for the purpose of considering certain applications for Licenses and Adjunct Licenses for a period of twelve months from that date under Ordinance No. 8 of 1898.

F. A. HAZELAND,
Police Magistrate.

Mazabraud,
Hongkong, 22nd November, 1905. [2681]

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 252 (Special).

CHINA SEA.

STORM SIGNAL CODE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after the 1st January, 1906, a new STORM SIGNAL CODE, using symbols instead of flags, will come into operation at the STORM SIGNAL STATIONS of the IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS at the following places:

NEWCASTLE, FAKU, CHEFOO, CHINKIANG, WUSUNG, GUTZAEFF, PAGODA ANCHORAGE AND AMOY.

Copies of the new code can be obtained from the several Harbour Offices.

At Shanghai the Municipal Storm Signal Station will also use the New Code. At this Station and at also at Wusung and Gutzaeff the special local Weather Signals by means of flags will be continued as before, but International Flags will be substituted for the Marryat's Flags hitherto used. See code issued by Sincawei Observatory which can be obtained at the Municipal Storm Signal Station, Shanghai.

W. PERD. TYLER,
Coast Inspector.

Coast Inspector's Office,
Shanghai, 15th November, 1905. [2684]

HONGKONG REGATTA.

TO BE HELD AT ABERDEEN ON 5th DECEMBER, 1905.

* 11.30 A.M. TUB SCULLS.—Rowed in heavy clinker-built boats. Open to those not competing for the Challenge Cup. 2 mile. Entrance Fee per Boat \$2.

* 12.00 NOON. BROWN CHALLENGE SHIELD.—Rowed in light six-oared gigs. Open to (a) Royal Garrison Artillery (b) Royal Engineers. (c) British Infantry Regiments. (d) Departments. Units not enter more than one crew if desired. 1 mile. Entrance Fee per Boat \$3.

* 12.30 P.M. JUNIOR FOURS, B.—Rowed in heavy clinker-built boats. Open to those not competing for the Challenge Cup or Junior Fours. A. Limited to Residents of Hongkong. 1 mile. Entrance Fee per Boat \$10.

* 12.40 P.M. MEN-OF-WAR GIGS AND WHALERS.—Service Boats and service conditions. 1 mile. Entrance Fee per Boat \$3.

* 1.00 P.M. CHALLENGE CUP FOR FOUR OARS.—Rowed in light clinker-built boats of 5 strokes, with coxswain. Open to a representative of any Amateur Rowing Club. 13 miles. Entrance Fee per Boat \$10.

* 2.00 P.M. STEWARDS' CHALLENGE CUP FOR SCULLS.—Rowed in best boats. 1 mile. \$3.

* 2.30 P.M. THE GOVERNOR'S CHALLENGE CUP.—For Four Oars. Limited to Residents of Hongkong. Each boat's crew to be drawn from a single unit which is defined as a Regiment, a Ship, a Corps, the Volunteers, a Firm or any other body of gentlemen working together. A complete crew, any combination of two similar units may be made. A club is not included in the definition of a unit. 1 mile. \$10.

* 3.00 P.M. MEN-OF-WAR CHALLENGE.—Service boats: service conditions. 1 mile. \$3.

* 3.30 P.M. JUNIOR FOURS, A.—Rowed in heavy clinker-built boats. Open to those not competing for the Challenge Cup or Junior Fours. B. 1 mile. \$10.

* 4.00 P.M. LADIES' PRIZE.—For Four Oars, clinker-built with coxswain. Open to pairs representative of any Amateur Rowing Club. 1 mile. \$5.

* 4.30 P.M. DRAGON BOAT RACE.—For Chinese crews. 1 mile.

* These races are open only to Amateurs, and are to be rowed under the Rules of the Amateur Rowing Association.

Entries must be accompanied by Entrance Fees, and close on Friday, November 24th, 1905.

F. W. WARRE,
Hon. Sec. Hongkong Regatta.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1905. [2602]

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersecretary have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

ON MONDAY, the 4th December, 1905, at 12 o'clock (Noon), at BLAKE PIER,—

The Steam Launch

"DAKIN."

Length ... 50 feet.

Breadth ... 10 feet.

Depth ... 5 feet 6 inches.

Engines ... Compound inverted.

Speed ... 9 Miles.

Built ... at Kowloon Docks.

For further particulars, apply to
Geo. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 22nd November, 1905. [2635]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTONJEE'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 36, Elgin Road and Mr. AH YAU'S FERRY WHARF STALL.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1905.

FINELY CARVED WOODWORK, the property of a Resident leaving the Colony. Terms:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1905. [2663]

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situated at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong known as Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 9

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HUGHOW"	On 5th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 19th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"STENTOR"	On 26th December.	
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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 2nd January.	
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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 2nd January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SAINT BEDE"	On 2nd January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLUS"	On 9th January.	

HOMELANDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
LONDON, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP	"DEUCALION"	On 19th December.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"HECTOR"	On 19th December.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 20th December.	
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NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO	"TELEMACHUS"	On 1st January.	

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA AND PACIFIC COAST	"JASON"	On 30th November.	
	"TYDEUS"	On 29th December.	

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SHANGHAI	"SHAOSHING"	On 30th November.	
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Capt. Bremer (HAMBURG and HAMBURG)	On 24th Jan. Freight.
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